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宇海零は、金神・在全が主催する「王への試験」に参加。

それでも零は神がかり的頭脳を発揮し次々と命懸けの試験をクリアー！

予選突破を果たした零達を待ち受けていたのは、衝撃の最終試験！

果たして零の運命は!?

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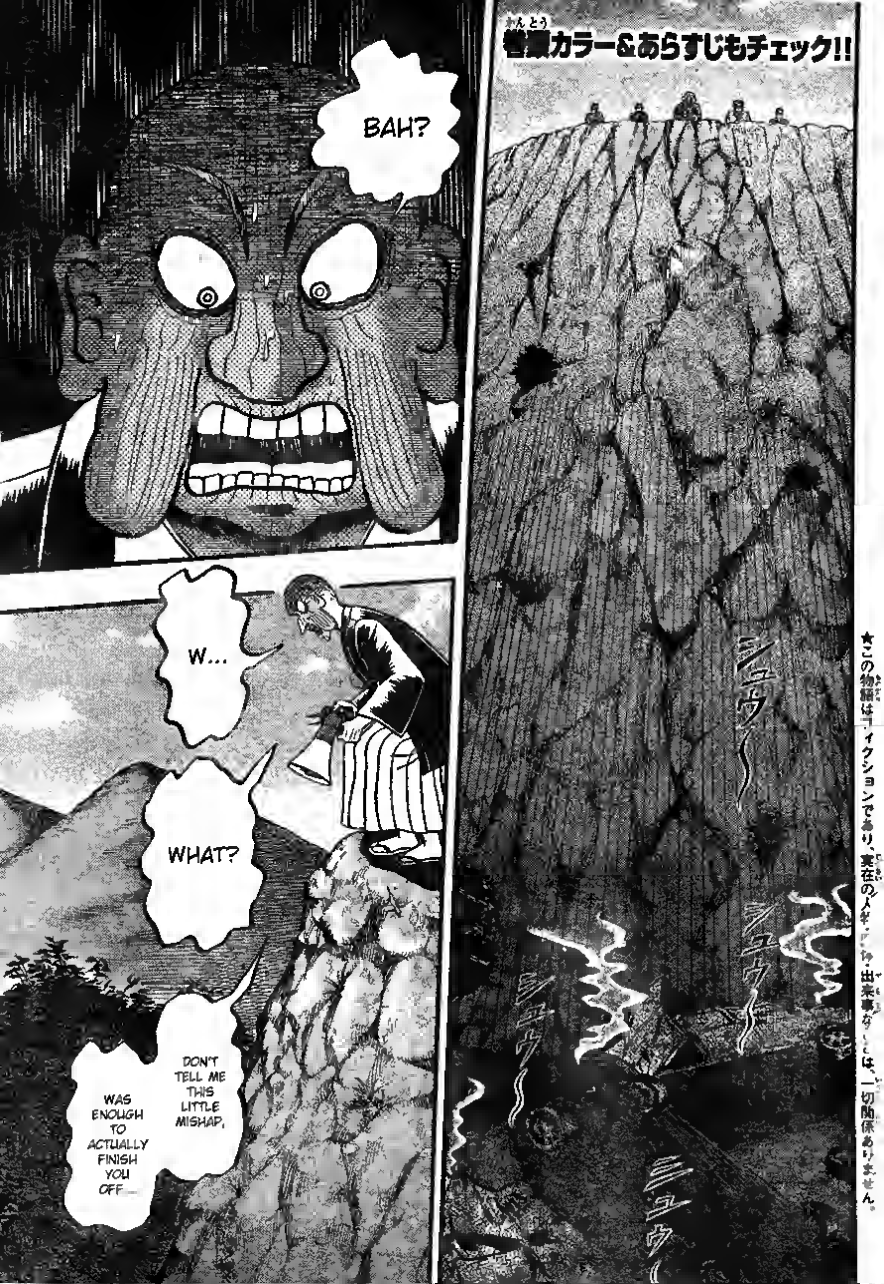
巻頭カラー&あらすじもチェック!!
BAH?
W...
WHAT?
DON'T TELL ME THIS LITTLE MISHAP, WAS ENOUGH TO ACTUALLY FINISH YOU OFF...
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WELL!?
WITH LUCK LIKE THAT!?
THIS HAS BEEN A TOTAL WASTE OF TIME!
WORTH-LESS TRASH!
AH!
AHHHH! SIR, LOOK!
SERI-OUSLY BELIE-VED YOU COULD BE-COME THE KING I SEEK ...
YOU PEAS-ANTS,
THAT'S PREPOS-TEROUS!

OHHH!
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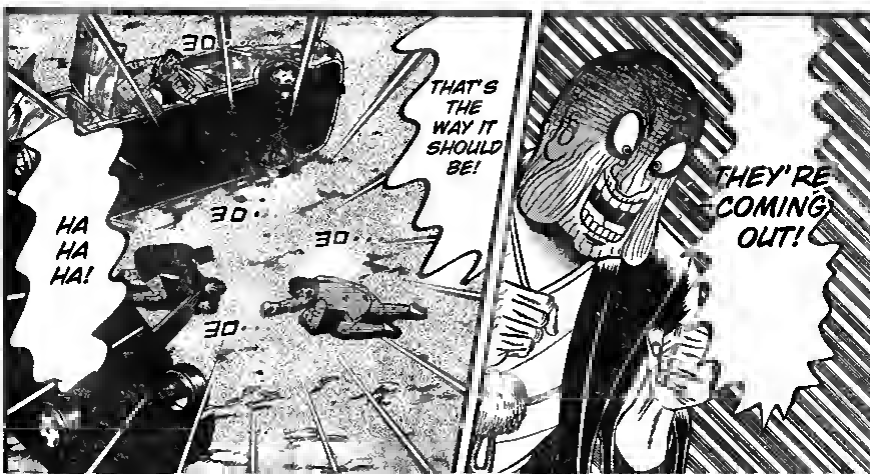
LOOK!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HA HA HA!
THAT'S THE WAY IT SHOULD BE!
THEY'RE COMING OUT!

OF COURSE!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD'VE DIED,
FROM A LITTLE BUMP LIKE THAT!
NO WAY AT ALL!
AHH!
CAREFUL, SIR!
AGHHHH!
SIR!
WHAT'RE YOU STANDING THERE FOR!?

CALL THE AMBU-LANCE!
HURRY UP!
YES, SIR!

YOU FOOLS! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING!?

AFTER ALL, MY DEATH WOULD MEAN THE END OF THE WORLD!
YOU SHOULD BE COMING TO MY AID!
EXCUSE ME, SIR?
DO YOU FOOLS, STILL NOT REALIZE THAT!?
AHH!
FORGIVE US, SIR!
FORGIVE OUR IGNO-RANCE!
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Zaizen's Right-Hand Man.
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MAKES HIM POSSI-BLE TO BE...
BUT THAT'S PRECISELY WHAT,
.....
AS SELF-CENTERED AS EVER...
HEY!
A KING!

A KING THAT CAN BRING THE ENTIRE WORLD,
ヨロ…
ヨロ…
ヨロ…
TO HIS FEET!
TO PUT IT IN OTHER WORDS,
ONE CAN ONLY BECOME A KING,
BY HAVING THE SAME DEMONIC LUCK AS HIM!
WHAT'RE YOU BLABBERING ABOUT?
WHAT?

HOW DID YOU-
SHIRUBE!
AHH!
EARL-IER,
AS YOU AND ALL THE OTHER MEN LEFT THE CAR,
TO ESCORT ZAIZEN,
NGH...
I STEPPED OUT OF THE CAR AS WELL, THINKING SOME-THING WAS SUS-PICIOUS.
Mysterious Prodigy, Shirube

YOU THINK IT'S LUCK?
PURELY THAT ALONE.
TO SURVIVE IS...
DON'T BE RIDICU-LOUS!
A MEAN-INGLESS COINCI-DENCE!
THAT'S NOTHING BUT PURE COINCI-DENCE!
EVEN IF ONE DID SURVIVE THROUGH IT,
A SET % OF PEOPLE WOULD DIE IF THEY FELL OFF A CLIFF.
OHH!
AH!
YOUR "ACCIDENT" WAS MEANING-LESS!

SHIRUBE!
SHIRUBE!
SHIRUBE!
SO YOU SURVIVED, DID YOU NOW?
ATT'A BOY!
I'M MOST GLAD TO SEE YOU SURVIVED OUT OF ALL THE REST!
BUT,
THERE WAS ONE OTHER,
THAT I WAS HOPING WHO'D SURVIVE ...
シュウ〜

ZERO!
PLEASE...
YOU HAVE TO BE ALIVE!
IT'S ONLY BECAUSE YOU WERE THERE,
THAT I COULD FINALLY SEE,
THE DOORS OF CHANCE OPEN!
IT'S NO GOOD WITH ME ALONE!
I CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT YOU...

BUT THE DIVINE WINDS FAILED TO BLOW!

LADY LUCK REFUSED TO BESTOW HER SMILE!

IT'S ALL GOING TO END BEFORE IT EVEN BEGAN!

I NEED YOU! ZERO!!!

SEVERAL YEARS PASS,
ZERO!
SINCE THE HELLISH DAY AT DREAM KINGDOM,
AND THE FALL FROM THE CLIFF...

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WHAT FANTASTIC DISTANCE!
OHH!
YOU'RE AMAZING!
20XX YEAR, MARCH
YOU'RE TOO KIND ..
A CERTAIN RUMOUR BEGAN TO CIRCULATE
AND THAT VERY RUMOUR WAS ABOUT
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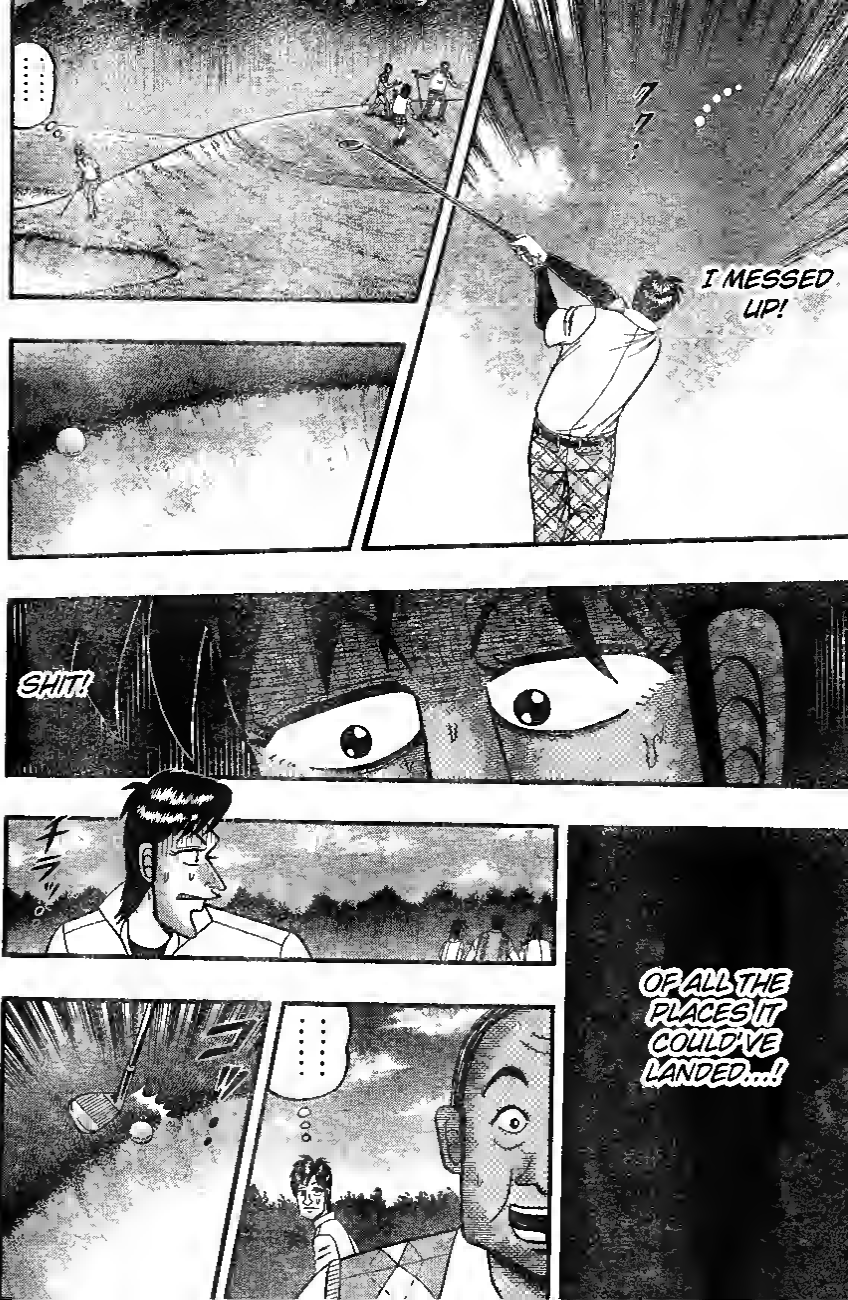
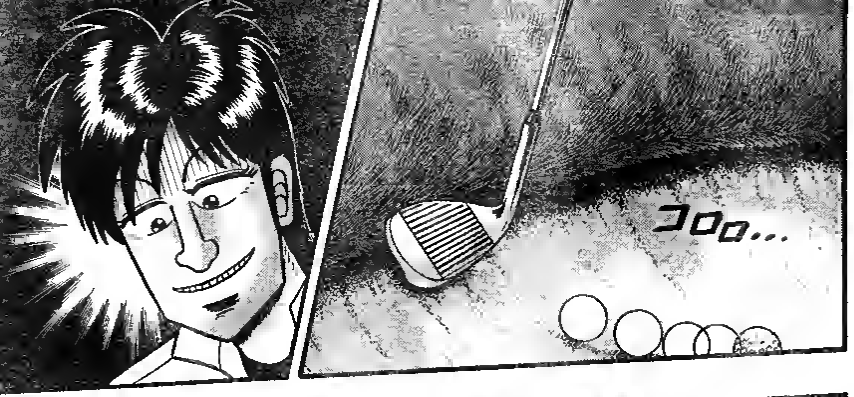
AN UNDEFEATED GAMBLER

I REALLY WISH I DIDN'T HAVE TO PLAY GOLF WITH THESE OLD LOSERS...
SIGH.
ARGHHH!
I NEED THEIR FINANCIAL SUPPORT!
I DON'T HAVE A CHOICE! THIS IS ALL TO GAIN SPONSORS!
BUT I HAVE TO...!
I MIGHT EVEN BE ABLE TO SHOOT UNDER 65 AT THIS RATE...
AH!
BUT AT LEAST I'M PLAYING PRETTY WELL...
WELL... MY PARTNERS MAY SUCK.
GOD DAMN IT!


I MESSED UP!
SHIT!
OF ALL THE PLACES IT COULD'VE LANDED...!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GO RIGHT AHEAD!
I'LL BE HITTING MY SHOT NOW!

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THAT WAS AN IMPOSSIBLE SHOT FOR SURE!
MAN, DID YOU SEE THAT SHOT!?
THANK YOU
NICE RECOVERY!
WELL DONE, KYOUSUKE!

SHIT!

KYOUSUKE, I'M JUST GOING TO PICK UP YOUR BALL SINCE IT'S ONLY 50M AWAY FROM THE HOLE AND ALL
OH,
SURE. GO AHEAD
THAT REALLY WAS AN AMAZING PAR SAVE SHOT!
HA HA
YOU REALLY ARE THE CHAMP FOR A REASON!

JESUS!
I THINK I JUST SAW THE GAME OF A LIFETIME!
YOU SCORED A 64! EVEN A PRO WOULD BE HARD-PRESSED TO HIT SUCH A GAME...!
YOU'RE TOO KIND.
WHEW.
AH...
GOD, ARE THEY EVER ANNOYING
WISH THEY'D ALL JUST DROP DEAD!
YOU KNOW ...

IT REALLY SHOULD'VE BEEN A 65...!
IF YOU WERE PLAYING FOR REAL,
YOU WOULD'VE BEEN DIS-QUALIFIED
OH PLEASE.
STOP TALKING NONSENSE.
THAT BALL,
WAS GOING TO FALL INTO THE SAND PIT ON ITS OWN,
AS I READIED MY STANCE.
SO LET'S STOP,
TALKING ABOUT SUCH NONSENSE.

HA HA HA!
THAT AIN'T GONNA WORK ON ME!
'CAUSE YOU SEE, I SAW THAT BALL CLEAR AS DAY!
.....
WELL, SINCE IT WAS JUST A GAME FOR LEISURE, I'LL JUST DROP IT AT THAT...
WHA!
UGH!

S-STOP!
DON'T YOU DARE TALK DOWN TO ME,
YOU TALENT-LESS TRASH!
I'M OUTTA HERE.
I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO WASTE ON YOU OR ANY OF THOSE OTHER DAMN GEEZERS OUT THERE
I MIGHT LOOK LIKE THIS BUT DON'T EXPECT ME TO BE SOME GOODY TWO-SHOES ALL THE TIME!
SO DON'T GET COCKY!
GUH!

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AHEM!
京介
ENOUGH WITH THE PRODIGY THIS AND PRODIGY THAT, MR. SAITOU

OH STOP!
AH! OUR PRODIGY GOLFER KYOUSUKE'S BACK!
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WE KNOW, WE KNOW!
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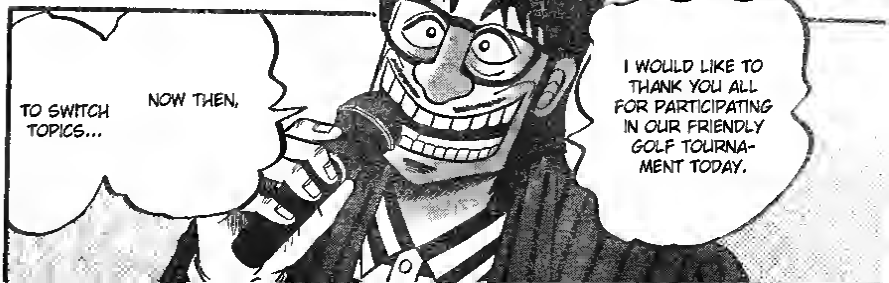
IF I MAY HAVE YOUR ATTENTION, THIS IS KYOUSUKE'S FATHER, SHINSUKE SPEAKING!


I WOULD LIKE TO THANK YOU ALL FOR PARTICIPATING IN OUR FRIENDLY GOLF TOURNAMENT TODAY.
NOW THEN,
TO SWITCH TOPICS...

THE TWO OF US HAVE AN ANNOUNCEMENT TO MAKE!
THERE HAPPENS TO BE AN OLD APARTMENT,
AND SO,
RIGHT BESIDE MY HOME.
I'D LIKE TO TEAR IT DOWN
AND IN ITS PLACE
AND MAKE AN EXCLUSIVE TRAINING CENTER CALLED "KYOTARA-2!"
IT'LL HAVE OXYGEN CAPSULES,
AND ALL KINDS OF OTHER HIGH-TECH FITNESS TRAINING MACHINES.
NOT ONLY THAT, A MINIATURE GREEN WILL BE BUILT,
TO ALLOW KYOUSUKE TO TRAIN HIS...

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W-WHO...
WHA?
WHO'RE YOU!?
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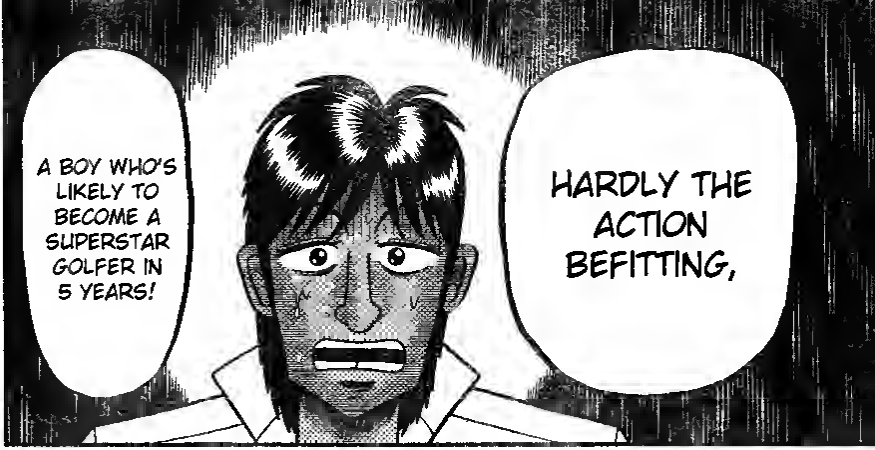
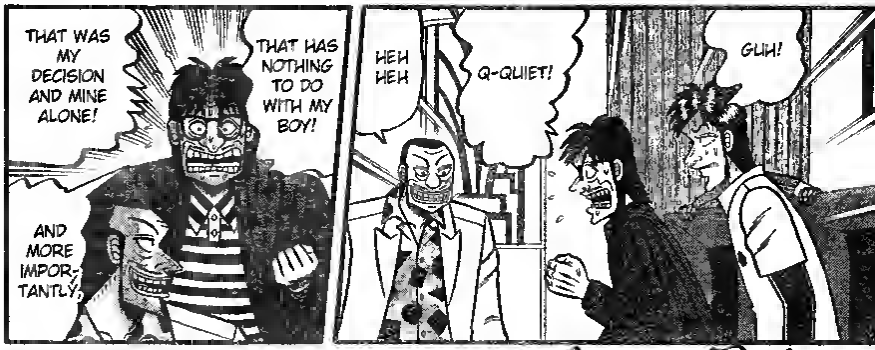
HA HA HA
IT'S HIM...
I'M NO ONE SUSPICIOUS
I'M HERE TO DISCUSS THE VERY THING YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT RIGHT NOW.
YOU SEE,
IT WAS THESE FOLKS WHO ASKED ME TO

ALL THESE OLD FOLKS WILL HAVE NO PLACE TO LIVE...
IF YOU TEAR DOWN THAT APARTMENT,
AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW,
AHH!
THIS IS RIDICULOUS!
WHAT'RE YOU COMPLAINING NOW FOR!?
I KNOW,
AH!
MORE LIKE THEY WERE FORCED TO CONSENT.
THIS MATTER HAS ALREADY BEEN SETTLED SINCE THEY CONSENTED!
THAT YOU'VE RAISED THEIR HOUSE RENT TO BE DOUBLED THIS YEAR
SO YOU CAN'T REALLY CALL THAT "CONSENTING" NOW, CAN YOU?
YOU REALLY DIDN'T GIVE THESE POOR FOLK MUCH OF A CHOICE IN THE FIRST PLACE,
IN SHORT,
SO IT'S ONLY OBVIOUS THAT THEY'D HAVE NO CHOICE TO GIVE UP, IF THEIR RENT WAS SUDDENLY DOUBLED
THESE PEOPLE ARE BARELY MAKING ENDS MEET WITH THE MONEY THEY HAVE,
QUITE A CRUEL METHOD, IF I MAY SO MYSELF!


A BOY WHO'S LIKELY TO BECOME A SUPERSTAR GOLFER IN 5 YEARS!
HARDLY THE ACTION BEFITTING,


THAT WAS MY DECISION AND MINE ALONE!
THAT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MY BOY!
AND MORE IMPORTANTLY,
HEH HEH
Q-QUIET!
GUH!

ALL I WANT YOU TO GIVE ME IS JUST A SINGLE CHANCE.
WHA?
CALM YOUR HORSES NOW.
MOST OF THOSE PEOPLE BEHIND YOU ARE...
YOU'VE GOT NOTHING TO GAIN FROM TRYING TO STOP OUR TRAINING CENTER FROM BEING BUILT!

IF...
?
KYOUSUKE PLAYS A GAME OF GOLF AGAINST OUR REPRESENTATIVE,
AND OUR REP PLAYER WERE TO WIN...
THEN PLEASE LET THAT APARTMENT BE FOR ANOTHER 10 YEARS!
AND THAT'S WITHOUT ANY INCREASED RENT!
WHA...?
OF COURSE ...

MR. IKEDA, ARA, AND ALL THE OTHER FOLKS STANDING BEHIND ME...
THEN YOU CAN GO RIGHT AHEAD WITH YOUR PLANS!
IF OUR REP PLAYER WERE TO LOSE,
THEY'LL ALL QUIETLY LEAVE THEIR HOMES WITHOUT A WORD OF OBJECTION!
I... THIS IS... UM...
WHA...
NOT BAD, RIGHT?
SO HOW ABOUT IT?

THINGS'LL GET QUITE COMPLI-CATED!
EVEN IF YOU REFUSE MY DEAL,
OH AND LET ME TELL YOU ANOTHER THING—
WHAT IS THIS NONSENSE ALL OF A SUDDEN!
THERE'S THIS LITTLE THING CALLED RIGHT OF RESIDENCE!
'CAUSE YOU SEE,

OH...!
I SEE HOW IT IS NOW...!
AH!
SO DON'T THINK YOU CAN SO EASILY DRIVE THESE PEOPLE OUT FROM THEIR HOMES!
I WAS WONDERING WHY YOU WERE TRYING TO PLAY AROUND WITH ME BACK EARLIER,
BUT IT WAS ALL FOR THIS, WASN'T IT?
TRYING TO MAKE US FALL FOR YOUR TRAP, AREN'T YOU!?
NO, NO, NOT AT ALL!
WHAT?
I SAID,
WHO'S THE GUY YOU GOT THAT YOU THINK CAN BEAT ME!?
WHO'S THE GUY?
IT'S NOTHING LIKE THAT!
SOME PRO?
NO, NO, NO!

WHA?
WHICH IS WHY,
HE'S NEVER EVEN HELD A GOLF CLUB BEFORE!
HE'S JUST A BEGINNER!

WE'D LIKE TO CHALLENGE YOU TO A SINGLE MATCH ON A SHORT HOLE GOLF COURSE (PAR 3)!
A 1 HOLE MATCH SORT OF DEAL...

ARE YOU JOKING!?
A NOVICE WHO'S NEVER EVEN HELD A CLUB BEFORE!?
DIRTY LIER!
THIS...
PLEASE!
THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO WAY THAT'S WHO YOUR REP PLAYER IS!

MAYBE 2ND PLACE NAKAMURA?
OR MAYBE LAST YEAR'S CHAMPION, INADA...?
WHO? WHO? WHO?
WHO!?
COME HERE!
HEY!
WHO? WHO? WHO?
JUST WHICH AMATEUR PLAYER IS IT!?
WHA!?
GOLFER?
JUST WHO IS THIS...
WHA?
LET ME INTRODUCE YOU OUR REP PLAYER!

KYAAA!
HUH?
HIS NAME'S ZERO!
HE'S A REAL DEPEND-ABLE KID!
THAT'S RIGHT!
ZERO?
WHO...!?

O-OK!
DON'T WORRY, ZERO'S THE REAL DEAL!
EVERY-ONE!
I'VE NEVER SEEN HIM BEFORE!
さわ…
HE'LL GET THE JOB DONE NO MATTER WHAT! THAT'S THE KIND OF GUY HE IS!
DAMN IT...!
I SHOULD'VE KNOWN THEM FOR AT LEAST 10 YEARS,
RANK
PLAYER
1 結城 京介
2 池田 幸男
3 橋爪健太郎
4 尾越 邦雄 -1
±0
I KNOW PRACTI-CALLY EVERYONE WHO'S EVER PARTICIPATED IN ANY AMATEUR TOURNAMENTS!
HOW?
HOW IS IT THAT I DON'T KNOW HIM?
AND GOLF COURSES!
DRIVING RANGES,
FROM [illegible] AT CLUB-HOUSES,

IF HE'S ANY GOOD...
THAT IS...
SO THEN...
NO WAY AT ALL!
THERE'S NO WAY I WOULD NOT KNOW!

A COMPLETE BEGINNER WHO'S NEVER EVEN ENTERED A TOURNAMENT?
COULD HE REALLY BE...

Z-ZERO'S A....
WHAT!?

IT'S THAT ZERO!
I'VE HEARD OF HIM BEFORE!
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HUH?
WHICH CLUB IS HE FROM?

I'M ASKING YOU WHO AND WHERE HE LEARNED GOLF FROM!
DO YOU KNOW WHO HIS INSTRUCTOR IS, MR. SAITOU!?
WELL...
IT'S NOT LIKE THAT...
HE'S A GAMBLER!
HUH?
WHEN IT COMES TO ONE-GAME GAMBLES,
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THE GAME IS,
IT'S SAID HE ALWAYS WINS!

WHAT!?

ざわ…
HE'S THE LEGENDARY UNDEFEATED GAMBLER!

A SPORT!

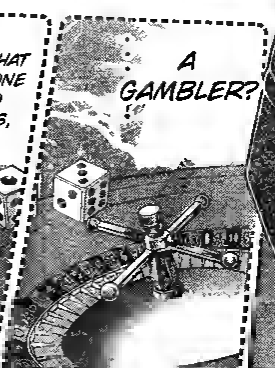
BUT GOLF IS...
THEY'RE NOTHING BUT GAMES!

WHAAAT!?

SHOW ME YOUR HANDS!

HEY YOU!
IT'S NOT SOMETHING A BEGINNER CAN JUST PLAY WELL AT!

ROULETTES, BLACKJACK, OR HANAFUDA...?
ISN'T THAT SOMEONE WHO PLAYS,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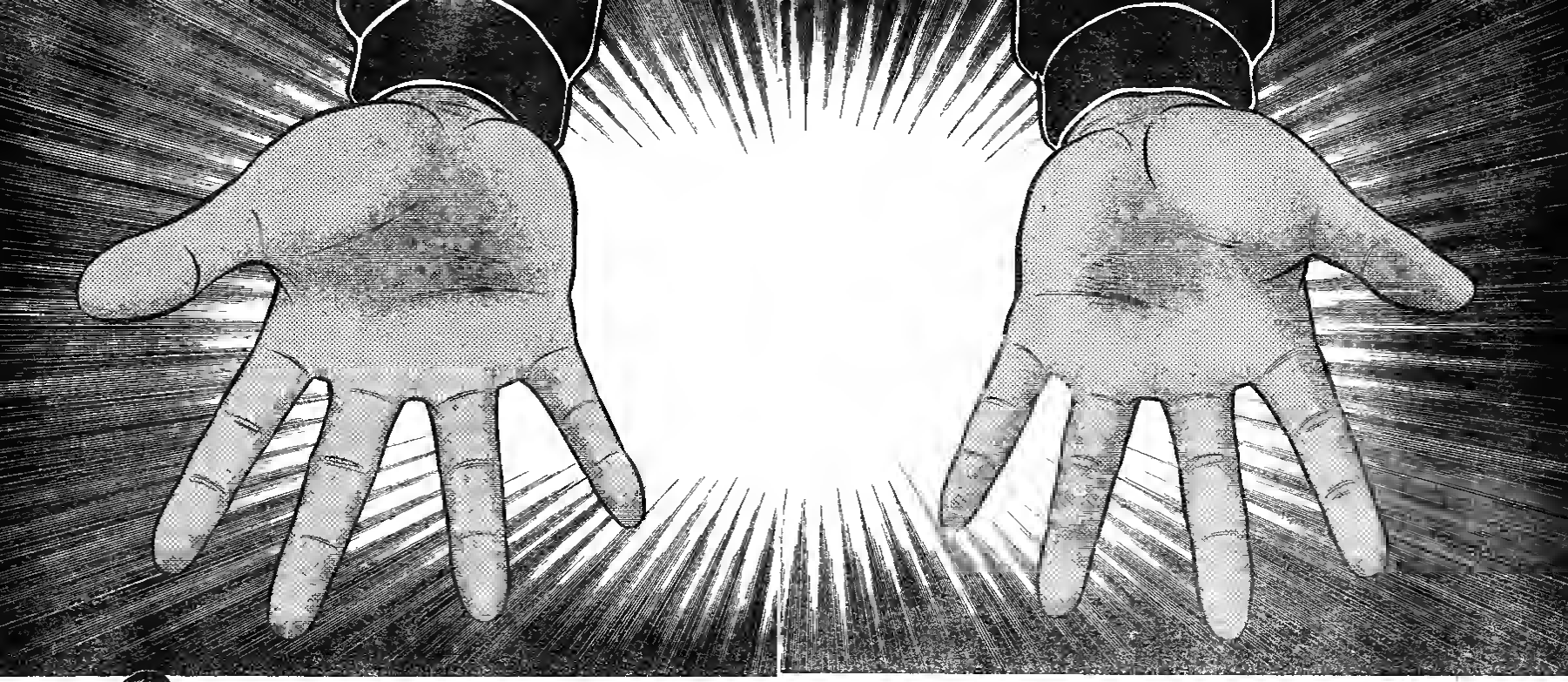
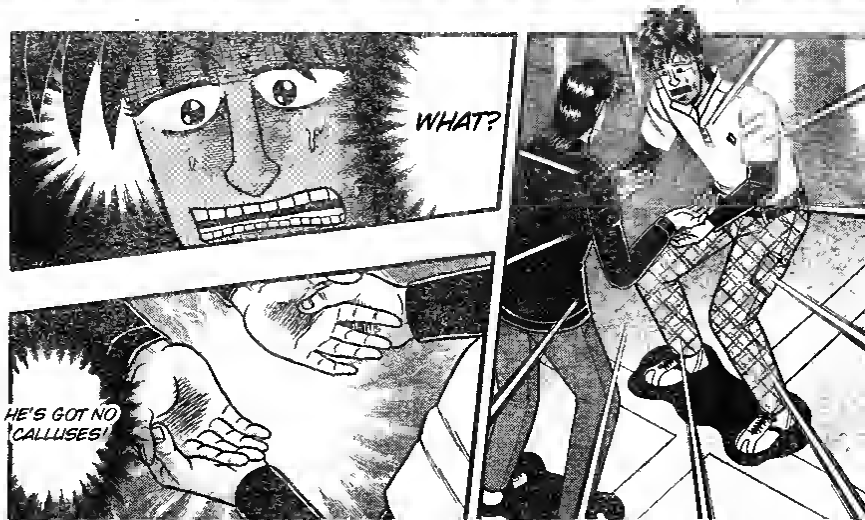
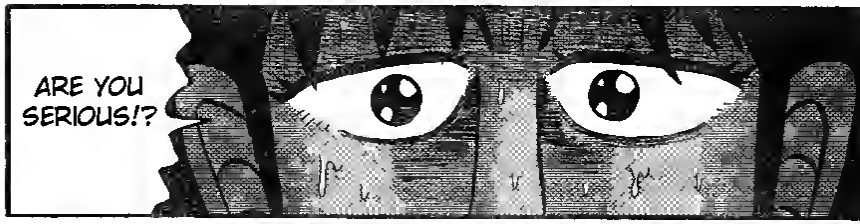


BUT NOT ONLY DOES HE NOT HAVE ANY CALLUSES ...
A GOLFER SHOULD HAVE CALLUSES, FROM SWINGING THEIR CLUBS...!
THE SKIN COLOUR OF BOTH HIS HANDS ARE THE SAME!


WHAT?
HE'S GOT NO CALLUSES!

FROM WEARING A GLOVE ON THEIR OFF-HAND!
NORMALLY, ANY SKILLED GOLFER SHOULD HAVE ONE HAND MORE TANNED THAN THE OTHER.


ARE YOU SERIOUS!?

I SUPPOSE
HA HA
YOU SERIOUSLY THINK YOU CAN BEAT ME!?

DAD..

HUH?
I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT PESKY "RIGHT OF RESIDENCE" PROBLEM MYSELF!
AS IF I'D LOSE TO THESE VIRGIN HANDS!
NOT EVEN ON ONE SINGLE HOLE!
THIS BAS-TARD,
IS MOCKING THE ENTIRE SPORT OF GOLF!
DON'T YOU DARE LOOK DOWN ON IT!
YOU MISUN-DERSTAND ME...

KYOUSUKE,
I ACTUALLY RESPECT YOUR GOLFING SKILLS,
SINCERELY FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART!
I'M NOT MOCKING YOU NOR GOLF AT ALL!
BUT...
I STILL HAVE A GOOD FEELING...
THAT VICTORY WILL BE ON MY SIDE...!
初っぱなから勝利宣言!!
ド素人の零が持つ一勝とは!?
■第34号につづく■
TRANSLATED BY HOX

Victory will be on my side...!

WITH MY PROVEN GOLFING SKILLS!
I'LL CRUSH THIS PATHETIC BRAGGART.
IT'LL BE A 1-HOLE MATCH FOR THE AGES!
THEN IT'S SETTLED!
MANAGER!
R-RIGHT!
WE HAVE A DEAL, RIGHT?
IF WE WIN, YOU FOLKS WILL BE ABLE TO KEEP YOUR HOMES!
DON'T MAKE ME LAUGH!
PROBABLY AIN'T NOTHING MORE THAN SOME URBAN LEGEND!
ALRIGHT!
YOUR BLUFFS WON'T WORK ON ME!
GIMME A BREAK!
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I'LL MAKE A ROOM CALL SHORTLY.
WHEN IT'S AN HOUR BEFORE THE MATCH
JUST BE AT YOUR ROOM.
YOU'LL BE STAYING HERE AT THE HOTEL TODAY, RIGHT?
WHAT'S WITH THAT CONFIDENCE OF HIS...?
?
YEAH ...
Y-
GOT IT?
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME!
HURRY UP!
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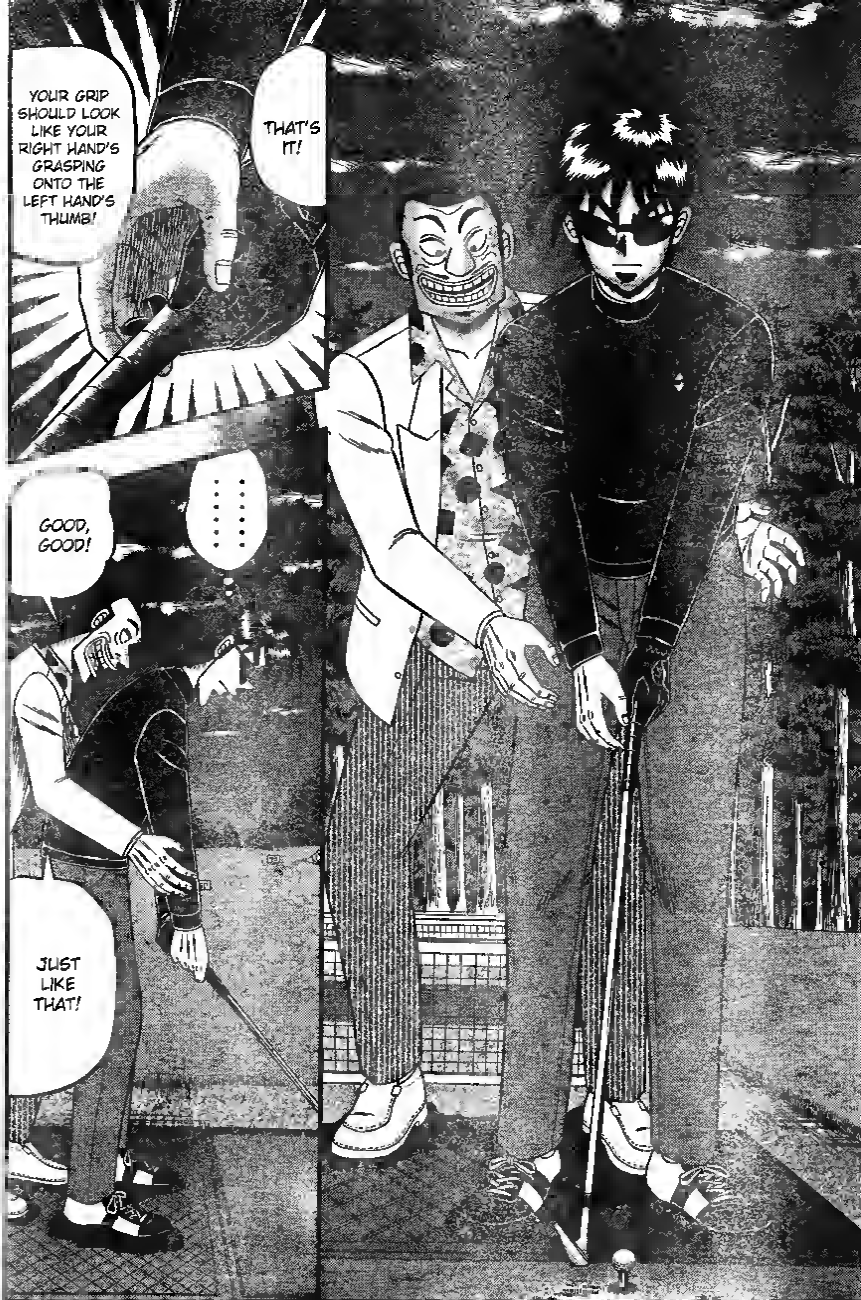
ZERO! NOW THAT THE MATCH IS DECIDED, LET'S GO PRACTICE!
WHAT IS HE PLANNING ...?


YOUR GRIP SHOULD LOOK LIKE YOUR RIGHT HAND'S GRASPING ONTO THE LEFT HAND'S THUMB!
THAT'S IT!
GOOD, GOOD!
JUST LIKE THAT!

NOW TRY SWING-ING.
NOW THEN,
THE BALL WILL BE PLACED RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE.
PERFECT!
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ボコ
NICE SHOT!

YOU HIT THE BALL ON YOUR FIRST TIME SWINGING A CLUB! YOU'RE A NATURAL-BORN GENIUS!
I SHOULDN'T HAVE EXPECTED ANY LESS FROM YOU!
LET'S KEEP AT IT!
NOW THEN,
GOOD!
A REAL NATURAL!

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ALRIGHT, TRY SWINGING AGAIN!
ARE THEY ACTUALLY SERIOUS!?
I MEAN, SERIOUSLY!
HE'S IMPROVING!
COME ON, KID!
ARE THEY JUST RETA-RDED?
!!

HE'S GETTIN' THERE!
DO THEY UNDER-ESTIMATE ME *THAT* MUCH!?
THEY'RE COMPLIMENT-ING HIM ON HIS IMPROVE-MENT!?
ATTA BOY, ZERO! THAT WAS WAY BETTER THAN YOUR LAST SWING!
ME?
DAD, WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF ALL THIS?
I GUESS IT'S POSSIBLE THAT HE'S JUST PRE-TENDING TO BE REALLY TERRIBLE BUT...
EVEN SO...
I HONESTLY HAVEN'T GOT A CLUE

HE'S BEYOND TERRIBLE!
!
AND HE CAN ACTUALLY GOLF A FAIR BIT,
EVEN IF HE IS PRE-TEND-ING,
WELL,
THERE'S NO DOUBT ABOUT THAT, KYOUSUKE!
I'M SURE HE'LL BE NO MATCH FOR YOU!

THE LEGENDARY,
...!
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHAT THE GAME IS, FOR HE'S...
WHEN IT COMES TO ONE-GAME GAMBLES,
UNDEFEATED GAMBLER!
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NGH—
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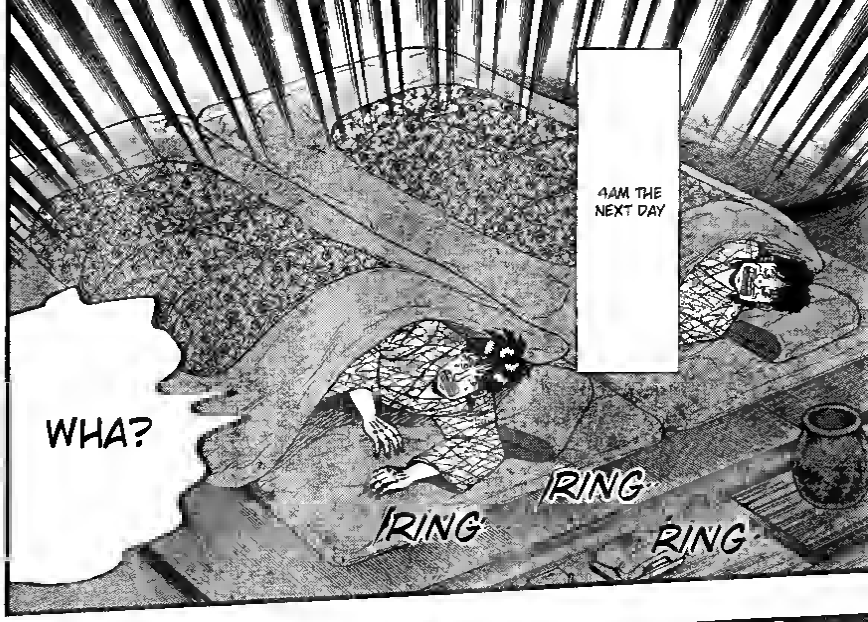
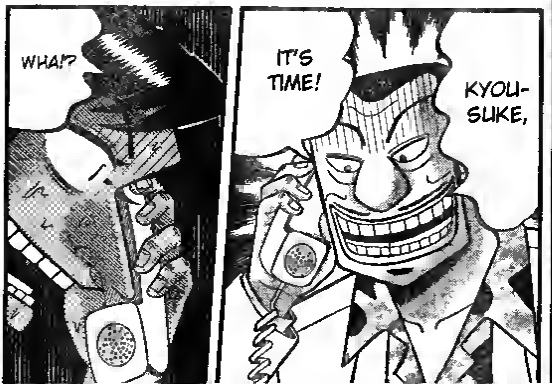
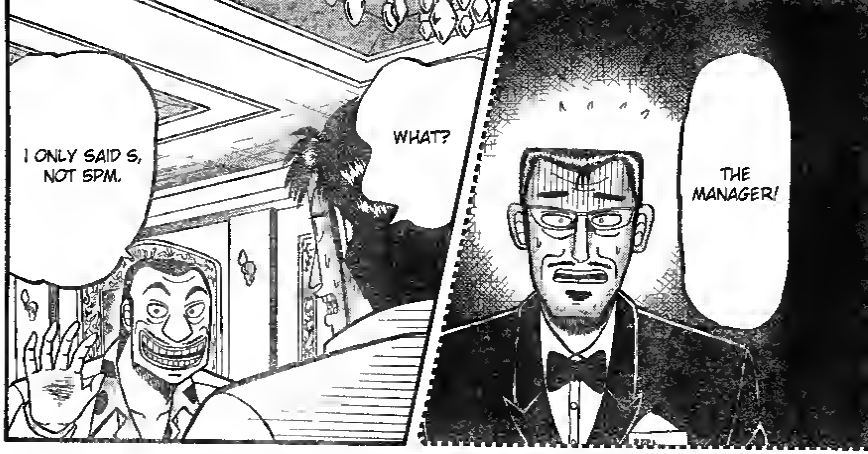

4AM THE NEXT DAY
WHA?
RING
RING
RING

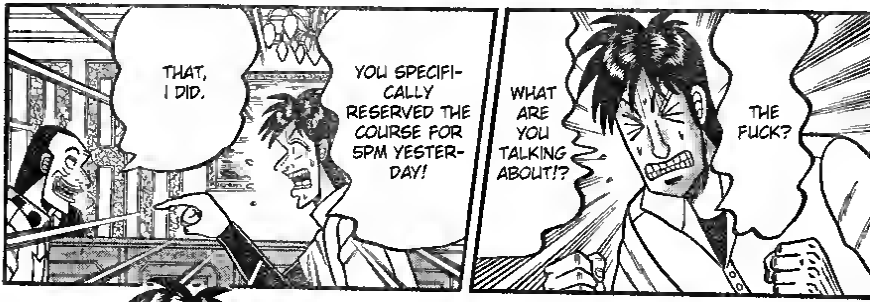
HELLO!?

WHO THE HELL IS CALLING,
AT THIS TIME OF THE DAY!?


WHA!?
IT'S TIME!
KYOU-SUKE,

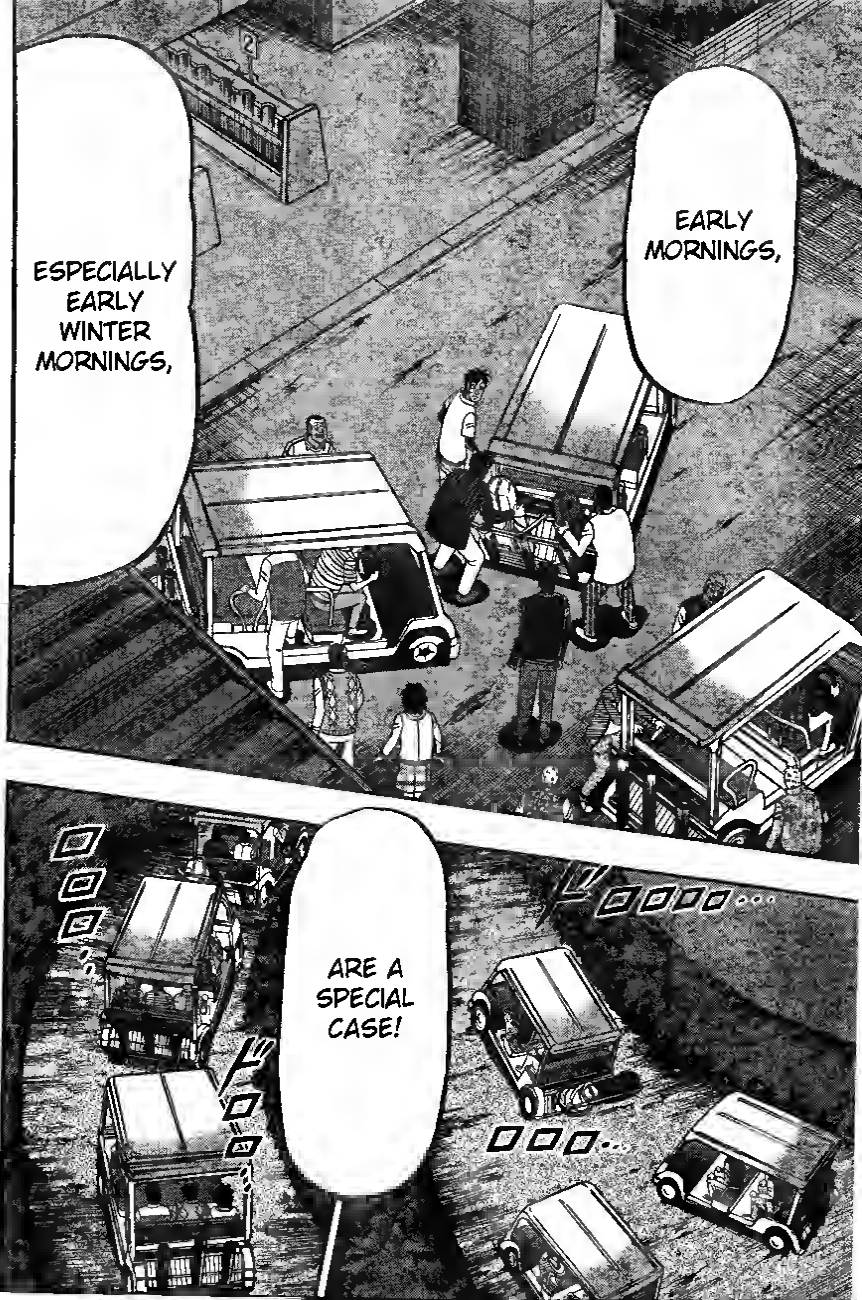
WEREN'T YOU THE ONE WHO SAID,
THE HELL IS THE MEANING OF ALL THIS!?
WHO, ME?
THE MATCH WILL BE AT 5PM!?
THE ONLY ONE WHO EXPLICITLY MENTIONED A "PM" WAS...
WHA?
SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE STILL HALF-ASLEEP.

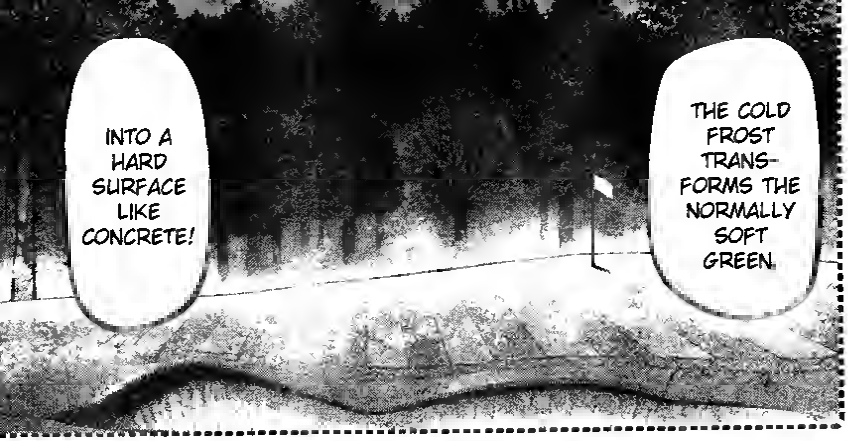

I ONLY SAID S, NOT SPM.
WHAT?
THE MANAGER!


THAT, I DID.
YOU SPECIFICALLY RESERVED THE COURSE FOR SPM YESTERDAY!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!?
THE FUCK?

WOULD BE OUR GAME!
YOU TWO MISTAKENLY ASSUMED THAT THAT GAME,
BUT THAT'S FOR ANOTHER GAME
I DID RESERVE A GAME AT THAT TIME,
SHALL WE GET GOING...?
NOW THEN...

KYOU-SUKE!
GUH!
SORRY TO HAVE DIS-TURBED YOUR SLEEP!
AFTER ALL, OUR MATCH IS SET TO START AT 5 IN THE MORNING!
WHAT?
I KNOW WHAT THEY'RE PLANNING!
I GOT IT!


EARLY MORNINGS,
ESPECIALLY EARLY WINTER MORNINGS,
ARE A SPECIAL CASE!


THE COLD FROST TRANS-FORMS THE NORMALLY SOFT GREEN
INTO A HARD SURFACE LIKE CONCRETE!

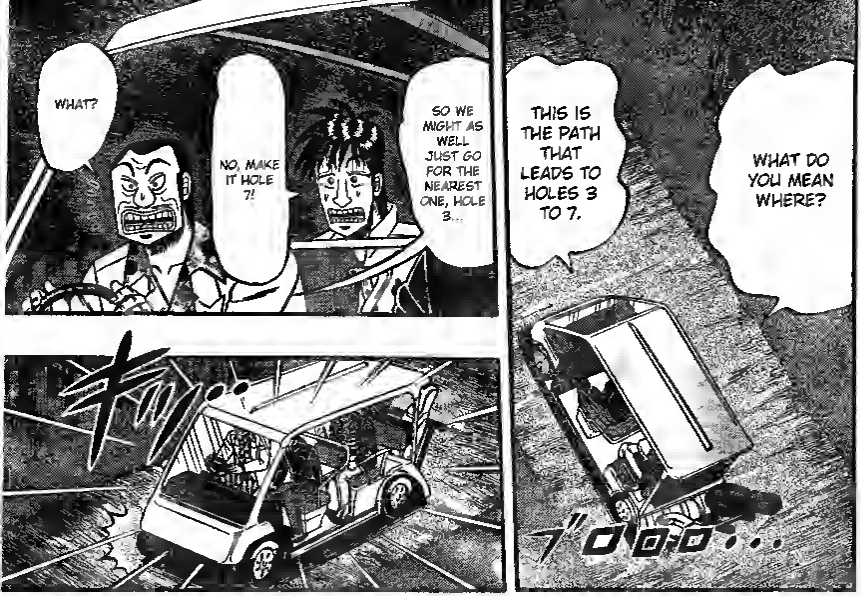
IT'S COM-PLETELY DIFFERENT FROM THE GREENS,

I'M SURE FOR AN ELITE GOLFER SUCH AS YOU,
WELL,

THAT YOU'RE USED TO!
HEH HEH

IT'LL BE NOTHING MORE THAN A MINOR HINDRANCE...!

THIS IS IT!
THIS FACTOR WILL BE OUR ONE AND ONLY CHANCE OF WINNING!
HEY!
WHERE'RE YOU GOING?
HUH?


WHAT?
NO, MAKE IT HOLE 7!
SO WE MIGHT AS WELL JUST GO FOR THE NEAREST ONE, HOLE 3...
THIS IS THE PATH THAT LEADS TO HOLES 3 TO 7.
WHAT DO YOU MEAN WHERE?
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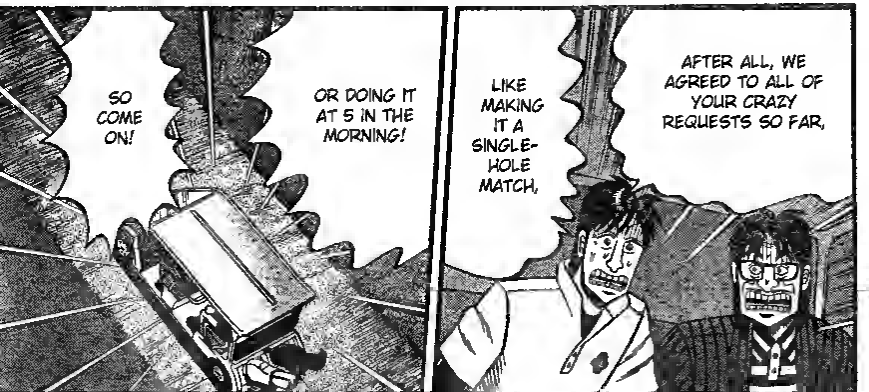
ONE OF OUR REQUESTS, RIGHT!?
YOU CAN AGREE TO AT LEAST.
THAT'S RIGHT!
7....?


SO COME ON!
OR DOING IT AT 5 IN THE MORNING!
LIKE MAKING IT A SINGLE-HOLE MATCH,
AFTER ALL, WE AGREED TO ALL OF YOUR CRAZY REQUESTS SO FAR,

ZERO...
LET ME DECIDE AT LEAST THIS MUCH!
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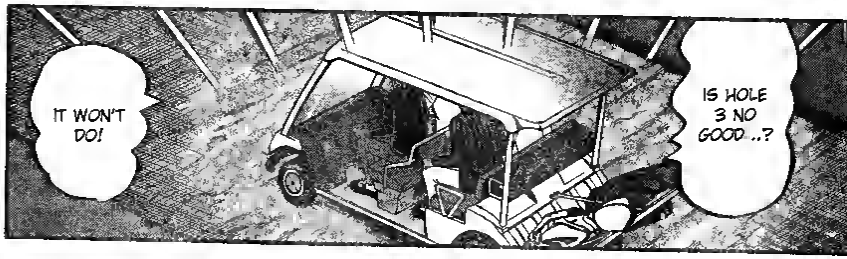
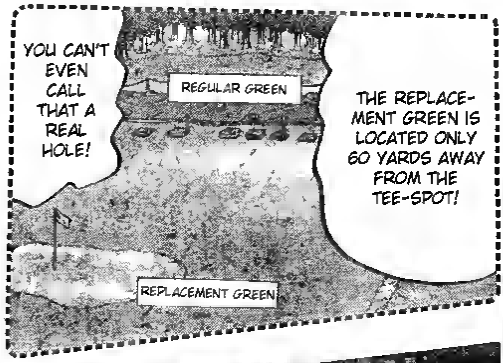
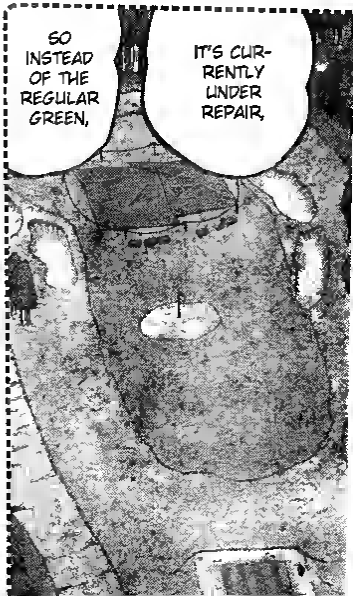
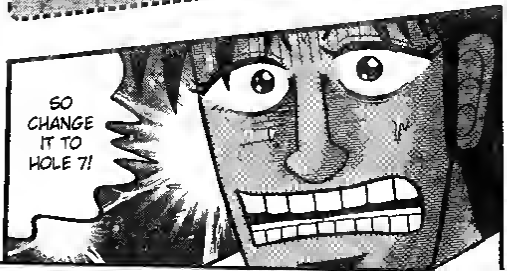

IT WON'T DO!
IS HOLE 3 NO GOOD..?


YOU CAN'T EVEN CALL THAT A REAL HOLE!
REGULAR GREEN
THE REPLACE-MENT GREEN IS LOCATED ONLY 60 YARDS AWAY FROM THE TEE-SPOT!
REPLACEMENT GREEN


SO INSTEAD OF THE REGULAR GREEN,
IT'S CUR-RENTLY UNDER REPAIR.


SO CHANGE IT TO HOLE 7!

I KNOW THAT YOU'LL HAVE THE HIGHEST CHANCE OF WINNING ON HOLE 3 BECAUSE THE GREEN IS RIDICULOUSLY CLOSE TO THE TEE-SPOT!
OUT OF ALL THE HOLES TO PLAY ON,
HEH
HMM...
SORRY TO SAY IT BUT,
AT THAT SHORT RANGE, EVEN A BAD BOUNCER COULD EASILY LAND ON THE GREEN!
LET'S GO WITH HOLE 7
FINE,
I'M NOT GOING TO LET YOU GUYS GET AWAY WITH THAT!
WITH THAT, YOUR FATE HAS JUST BEEN SEALED!
HA!
ZERO!
HOLE 7 IS...!
FOR A COMPLETE BEGINNER,
IDIOTS!
HA HA HA

FOR A BEGINNER THAT HELD A GOLF CLUB FOR THE FIRST TIME YESTERDAY,
!
AN UNCROSSABLE CANYON!
THIS HOLE IS,
LIKE CROSSING A CANYON!
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SHALL WE DECIDE WHO GOES FIRST?
NOW THEN,
HEE HEE! ♡
IDIOTS!
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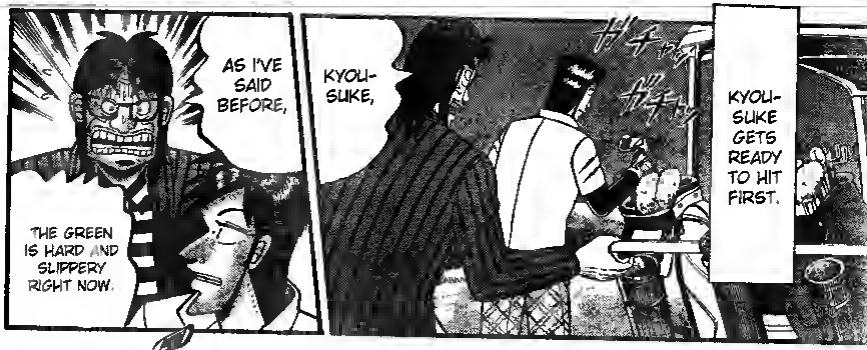
ZERO IS 2ND,
AND KYOU-SUKE IS 1ST.


AS I'VE SAID BEFORE,
THE GREEN IS HARD AND SLIPPERY RIGHT NOW.
KYOU-SUKE,
KYOU-SUKE GETS READY TO HIT FIRST.

I KNOW!
IT'LL END UP ROLLING RIGHT OFF!
IF YOU TRY TO LAND YOUR BALL DIRECTLY ON THE GREEN AS USUAL,

I CAN WIN AS LONG AS I CAN CROSS THIS CANYON!
THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN CROSS IT,
WHILE I DEFINITELY CAN!
WHICH MEANS...

HA HA HA
.....
I CAN EFFECTIVELY SETTLE THE MATCH WITH A SINGLE SHOT RIGHT HERE...
!
OF EXACTLY WHAT YOU'RE THINKING, KYOUSUKE!
I'M FULLY AWARE.
Oooo

BUT...
I'M AFRAID,
AS YOU THINK!
THINGS WON'T BE QUITE AS SIMPLE,
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IT'S NOT AS SIMPLE AS YOU THINK!

A 1-ROUND MATCH AT A PAR 3 HOLE!

THE GREEN IS VERY HARD AND SLIPPERY RIGHT NOW!

IT'S AS MY DAD SAID.

IF I AIM FOR THE GREEN STRAIGHT ON, THE BALL WILL END UP GOING MUCH FARTHER OFF-TARGET!

FAIRWAY

THAT'LL BE MY TARGET!

THE FAIRWAY INSTEAD!

I'LL HAVE TO AIM FOR,

THAT'S WHY INSTEAD OF GOING FOR THE GREEN,

KYOUSUKE!

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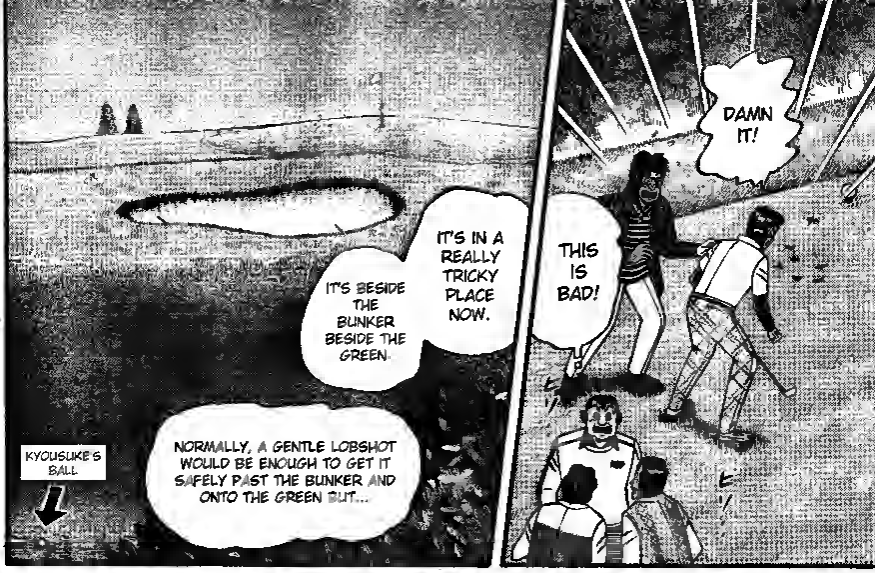
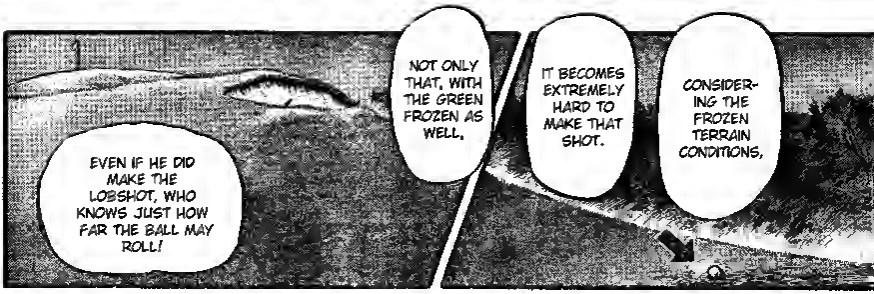
THAT'S MY BOY!
NICE SHOT!
COME ON, COME ON!
HA!

YEAHHH!
COME OONNNN!
IT'S LANDING JUST BEFORE THE GREEN!
IT'S THE BEST PLACE HE COULD'VE HOPED FOR!
AH!

WHAAA!?
AHHH!

WHAT THE HELL!?
EVEN THE FAIRWAY'S COMPLETELY FROZEN OVER!
OH NO! THE BALL'S GOING WAY PAST OVER THE HILL!
ALL THE WAY TO THE BOTTOM!
DAMN IT!
IT WAS SUCH A WELL PLACED SHOT TOO BUT...
KYOU-SUKE!
THE HELL'S UP WITH THIS COURSE!?


DAMN IT!
THIS IS BAD!
IT'S IN A REALLY TRICKY PLACE NOW.
IT'S BESIDE THE BUNKER BESIDE THE GREEN.
NORMALLY, A GENTLE LOBSHOT WOULD BE ENOUGH TO GET IT SAFELY PAST THE BUNKER AND ONTO THE GREEN BUT...
KYOUSUKE'S BALL


CONSIDERING THE FROZEN TERRAIN CONDITIONS,
IT BECOMES EXTREMELY HARD TO MAKE THAT SHOT.
NOT ONLY THAT, WITH THE GREEN FROZEN AS WELL,
EVEN IF HE DID MAKE THE LOBSHOT, WHO KNOWS JUST HOW FAR THE BALL MAY ROLL!

HE HAS TO MAKE A RIDICULOUSLY INSANE SHOT TO SAFELY LAND IT...
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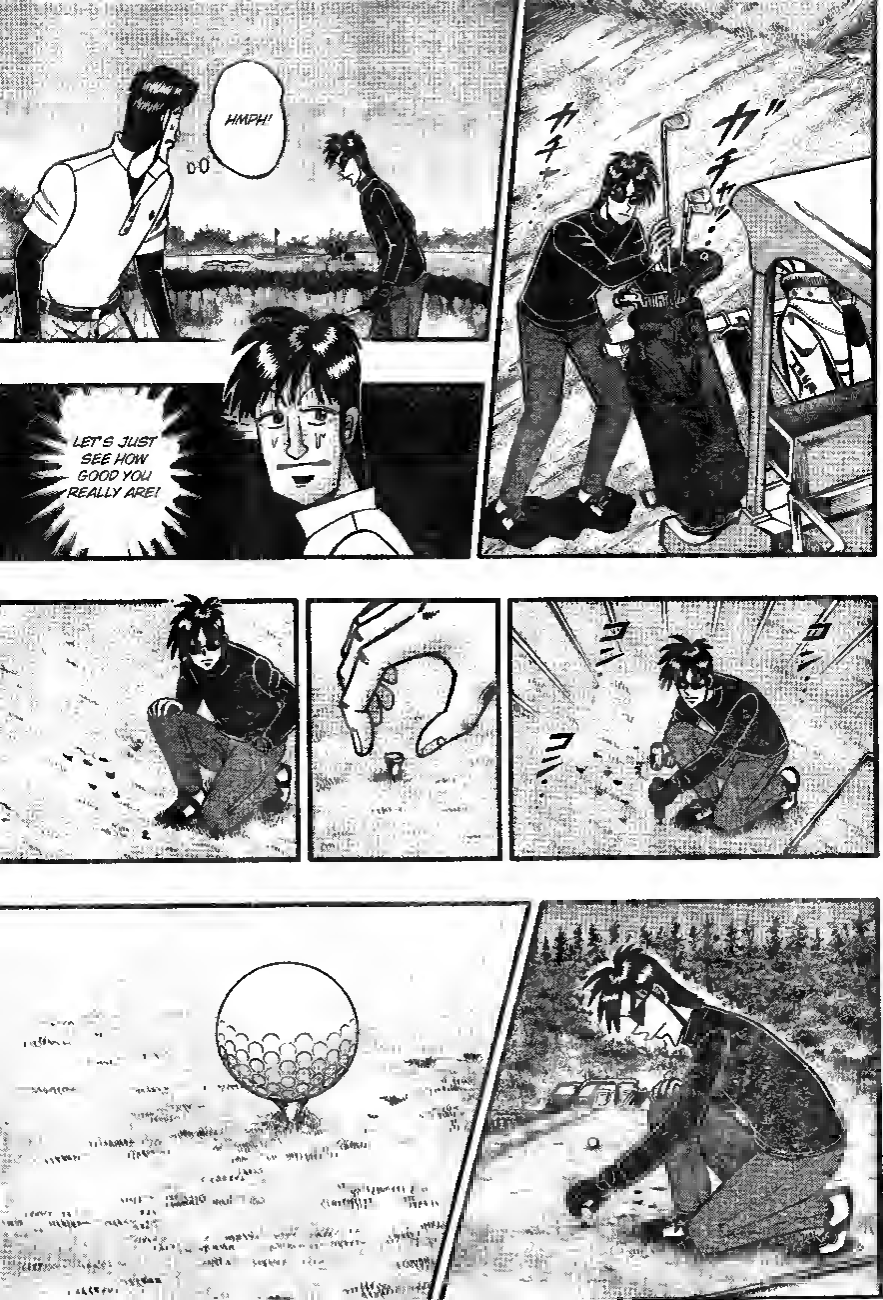
WHAT'S WRONG, LEGENDARY GAMBLER!?
IT'S YOUR TURN!


HMPH!
LET'S JUST SEE HOW GOOD YOU REALLY ARE!
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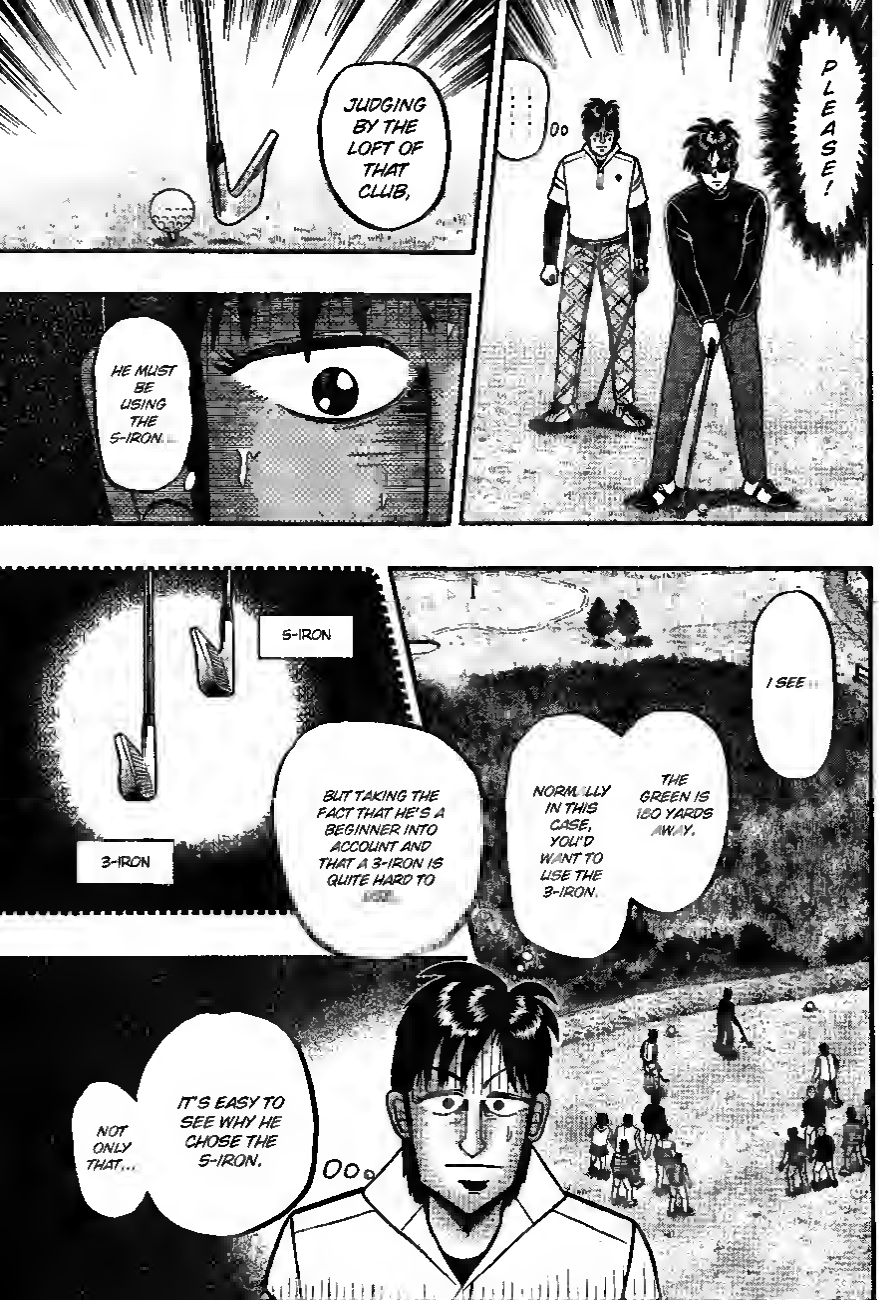
ZERO!
PLEASE!
ZERO!
IF WE'RE KICKED OUT FROM OUR APART-MENTS,
WE'LL HAVE NOWHERE ELSE TO GO!
SO PLEASE, ZERO!


PLEASE!
Oo
JUDGING BY THE LOFT OF THAT CLUB,
HE MUST BE USING THE 5-IRON...
I SEE...
THE GREEN IS 180 YARDS AWAY.
NORMALLY IN THIS CASE, YOU'D WANT TO USE THE 3-IRON.
BUT TAKING THE FACT THAT HE'S A BEGINNER INTO ACCOUNT AND THAT A 3-IRON IS QUITE HARD TO USE,
5-IRON
3-IRON
IT'S EASY TO SEE WHY HE CHOSE THE 5-IRON.
NOT ONLY THAT...
Oo.

SINCE EVEN THE FAIRWAY IS THAT FROZEN,
HE MUST BE PLANNING TO LAND IT FARTHER AWAY!
SO HE'LL HIT ABOUT 150 YARDS WITH THE 5-IRON,
AND THE BALL SHOULD BOUNCE,
ALL THE WAY TO THE GREEN...!
BUT...
WITH THE USUAL DISTANCE COVERED BY THE 5-IRON,
IT'LL BE EXTREMELY CLOSE TO THE CLIFF'S EDGE EVEN IF HE DOES MAKE IT OVER.
THE SLIGHTEST MISTAKE WILL SEND HIS BALL BELOW THE CLIFF!

HE'S ONLY A BEGI-NNER!
AFTER ALL,
THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN PULL IT OFF!
THERE'S ABSOLUTELY NO WAY HE COULD HIT SUCH A PERFECT SHOT!
PLEASE, ZERO!
COME ON, ZERO!

THE HELL!?
!?
ARE YOU KIDDING ME!?
!
WHA!?
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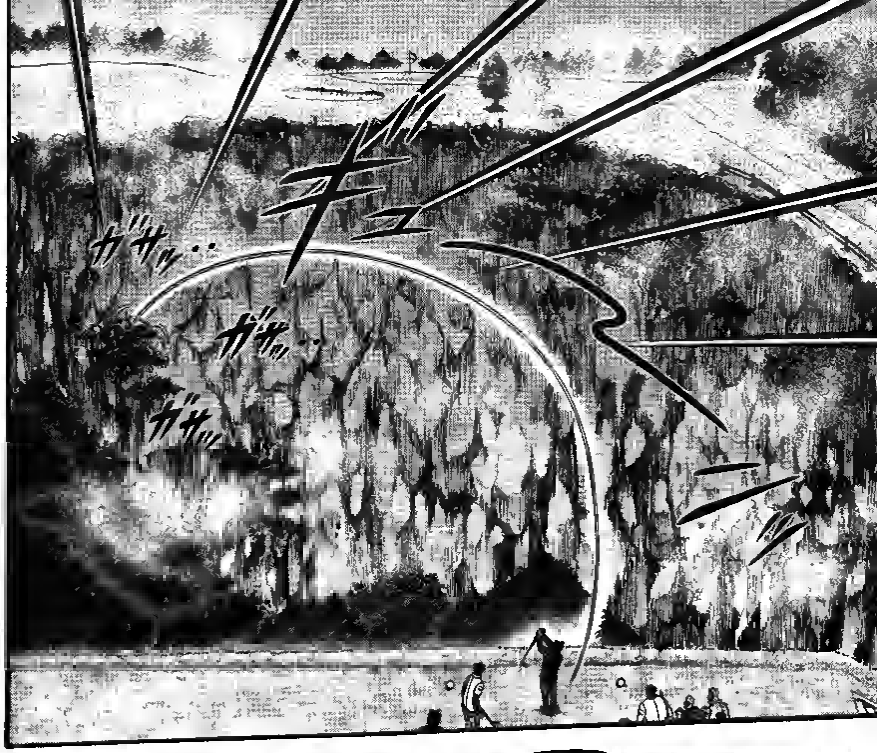
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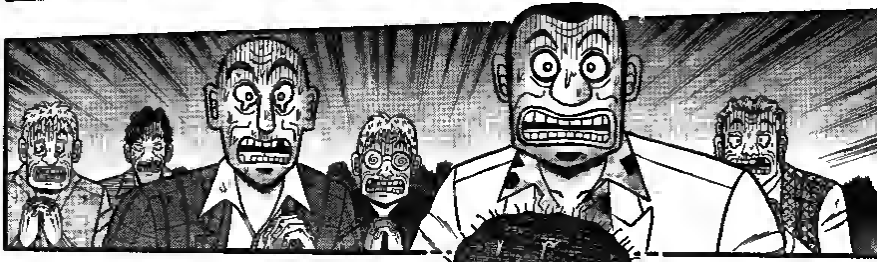

AGHHH!

WHEEZE!
ACK! COUGH! COUGH!
COUGH! COUGH! COUGH!
PFT!
COUGH! COUGH! COUGH!
ARE YOU ALRIGHT, MR. IKEDA!?
AHAHA HAHA!
THE HELL WAS THAT!?
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I HAVE NO IDEA IF THAT'S WHAT YOU PLANNED TO DO OR WHATNOT,
THAT'S THE SHOT YOU HIT!?
AFTER ALL THAT TALK ABOUT WINNING,
HOW STUPID COULD YOU BE!
WITH YOUR TERRIBLE GOLFING!
I MEAN, YOU'RE PRETTY MUCH DESTROYING THESE POOR OLD MEN'S FUTURES,
BUT ISN'T THIS A BIT CRUEL!?
HUH?
BUT SEEING AS HOW BAD YOUR SKILLS ARE, I WONDER IF YOU'LL EVER BE ABLE TO HIT THE BALL OVER THIS CLIFF?
WELL, YOU ALWAYS DO HAVE ANOTHER CHANCE TO HIT.
I'M OFF TO GO HIT MY 3RD SHOT!
LET'S GO!

WHA?
KYOUSUKE, ALLOW ME TO REMIND YOU,
THAT WE'RE NOT PLAYING SOME JUNIOR AMATEUR GOLF TOURNAMENT THAT YOU'RE USED TO
WE'RE PLAYING ACCORDING TO THIS GOLF COURSE'S CLUB-HOUSE RULES AND ACCORDING TO THOSE RULES,
IF YOU HAPPEN TO HIT THE BALL DOWN THE CLIFF, THEN ONE PENALTY STROKE WILL BE ADDED AND YOU'LL HIT YOUR NEXT SHOT FROM THE SPECIAL TEE.
AFTER ALL,
THE CLUB-HOUSE WOULDN'T WANT ENTIRE GROUPS OF PEOPLE SLOWING DOWN,
JUST BECAUSE ONE PERSON COULDN'T HIT IT OVER THE CLIFF...
ISN'T THAT OBVIOUS?
AHH!
THE SPECIAL TEEING GROUND,
JUST SO HAPPENS TO BE..

RIGHT HERE IN FRONT OF THE GREEN!
AHH!
W-WHAT!?
HOW COULD IT BE RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE GREEN!?
HOW COULD HOLE 7'S RULES BE SO LENIENT!?
GREEN
HEH HEH HEH
AND...

WHAT'S WITH ALL THESE TRACES OF GOLF PUTTS ON THE GRASS!?
THE HELL IS ALL THIS!?
THESE ARE ALL... LEADING RIGHT TO THE HOLE FROM THE SPECIAL TEE...!
PRACTICING PUTTING FROM THIS TEE TO THE HOLE!
THAT'S WHY I SPENT ALL YESTERDAY NIGHT WITHOUT SLEEPING,
I HAVE A FEELING
BUT WITH THE GREEN AND FAIRWAY FROZEN OVER,
GOLF MIGHT NOT BE ONE OF MY SPECIALTIES,
GUH!
OF YOU CHOOSING HOLE 7!
HA HA HA!
YOU WERE PLANNING TO PLAY ON HOLE 7 RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING, WEREN'T YOU!?
I EXPECTED THAT IF I WERE TO LET YOU PICK WHICH HOLE TO PLAY ON, THERE'D BE A 90% CHANCE...
OF COURSE
YOU...!

YOU NEVER WERE PLANNING...
NGHHH!
OF MAKING A SUCCESS-FUL LONG-DISTANCE PUTT!
THAT I'LL HAVE A BETTER CHANCE THAN YOU,
OF COURSE NOT!
HA...
ON HITTING YOUR BALL OVER THE CLIFF FROM THE START!
THAT'D BE AN IMPOSSI-BLE FEAT EVEN FOR ME.
IN DOING SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T NEED TO BE DONE IN THE FIRST PLACE!
I'D RATHER NOT HAVE TO SPEND EXTRA EFFORT,
AND BESIDES,
I'M A PRAGMATIST.
さすがの天才ギャンブラー・利根！
敵の意図を見抜きっていたっ！
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THE ONLY THING I REALLY NEEDED TO PRACTICE
WAS THIS!
PUTTING FROM THE SPECIAL TEE!
UGH!
BUT EVEN SO,
IT'S NOT AS IF,
ME HITTING THE BALLS ON THE RANGE YESTERDAY,
WAS JUST FOR SHOW OR ANYTHING
I STILL NEEDED TO MAKE SURE,

THAT I COULD HIT THE BALL DOWN THE CLIFF FOR SURE ON MY FIRST SWING!
SO I WASN'T JUST WASTING MY TIME THERE EITHER.

I NEEDED TO BE PREPARED JUST IN CASE...
GUH!

.....
DAMN IT!

HE GOT ME!
I FELL COMPLETELY,
INTO HIS TRAP...!

FROM FOOLING ME INTO THINKING THAT HE'D WANT TO PLAY ON HOLE 3,
TO THINKING THAT CROSSING THE CLIFF WOULD BE IMPOSSIBLE FOR HIM!
BUT JUST WHAT THE HELL IS WITH THIS SPECIAL TEE?
IT'S BARELY 5 METERS AWAY!
AT THIS DISTANCE...

HE CAN EASILY ATTEMPT A LONG-DISTANCE PUTT!
WHICH WOULD BE MUCH TOO DIFFICULT FOR A BEGINNER.
RATHER THAN TRYING TO DO A PROPER APPROACH SHOT,

HE SPENT ALL NIGHT,
WHICH IS WHY

END-LESSLY PRAC-TICING!
OVER AND OVER AGAIN!
PUTTING FROM HERE!

HE PRACTICED TO GET A SENSE FOR HOW THE FROZEN SLIPPERY TERRAIN WOULD AFFECT HIS PUTTS.
AND...
ZERO!
ZERO!
TO GET A SENSE OF THE DISTANCE AND POWER NEEDED!

HE FEVERISHLY PRACTICED JUST BEFORE OUR MATCH WOULD BEGIN!
ZERO'S 3RD SHOT
GAHH!
AHHH!
AH!
W-WHAT'S GON' HAPPEN?
DON'T ASK ME...

WHO KNOWS UNTIL HE PUTTS!
IT ALL DEPENDS ON HOW CLOSE HE CAN PUT THE BALL...!
BECAUSE OF THE PENALTY STROKE,
THIS WILL COUNT AS HIS 3RD STROKE!
MEAN-WHILE,
KYOUSUKE IS ONLY ON HIS 2ND STROKE!
HOWEVER, SINCE HIS BALL IS ALL THE WAY AT THE BOTTOM OF THAT HILL PLACING THE BALL CLOSE TO THE HOLE ON HIS 2ND SHOT WILL BE NEXT TO IMPOSSIBLE!
SO...
AS LONG AS ZERO CAN..
PULL OFF A GOOD PUTT HERE.
THEN, EVEN THOUGH IT'S NOT FOR CERTAIN,
HE DEFINITELY HAS A REAL GOOD CHANCE,
OF BEATING KYOUSUKE!

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YEAH!
IT'S SO CLOSE TO THE HOLE!
H-HE DID IT!
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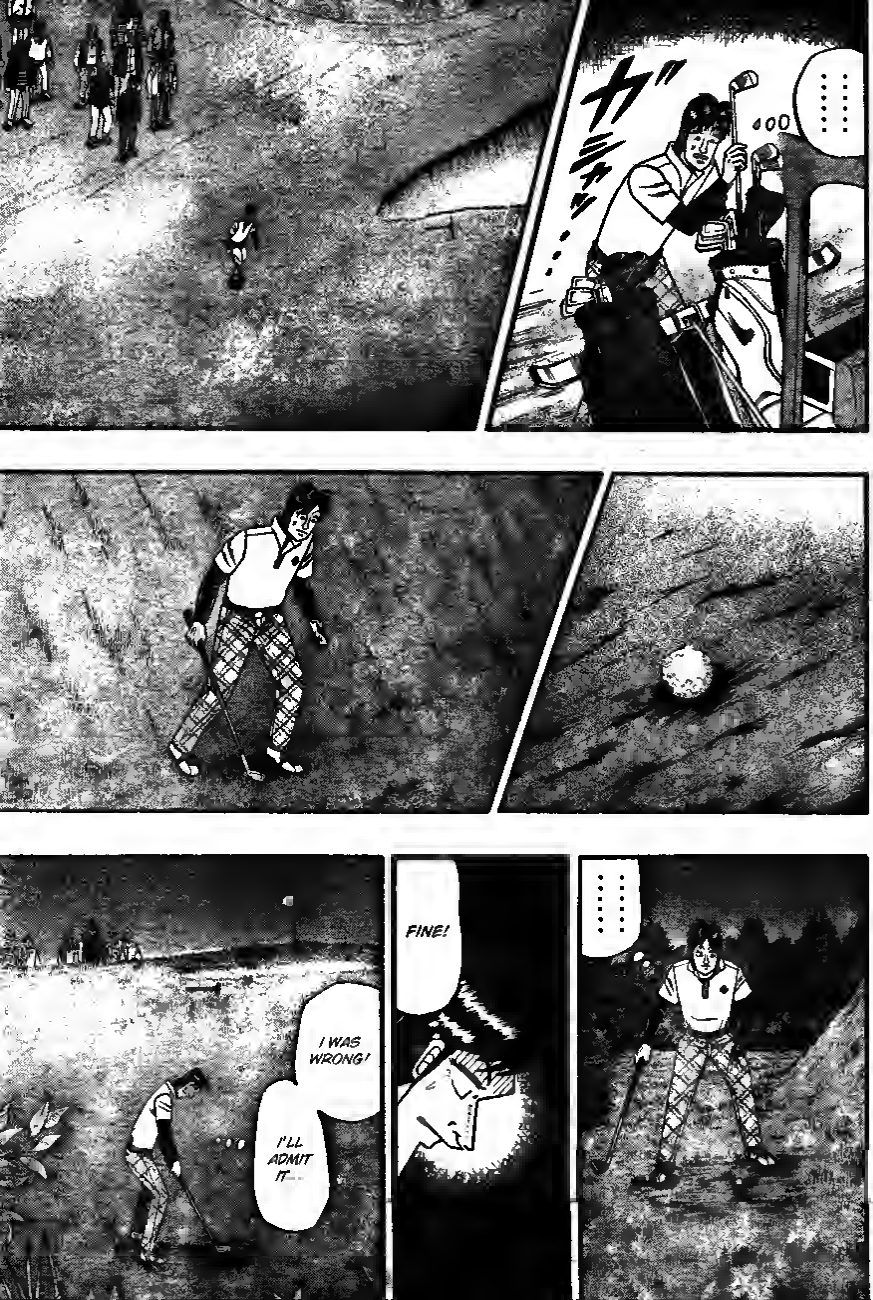
AGH!
30CM!
BARELY 30CM TO THE HOLE!
A GOOD CHANCE OF WINNING!
LOOK!!

AMAZING!
I THOUGHT I'D ONLY HAVE A 10~20% CHANCE...
OF PUTTING IT THIS CLOSE TO THE HOLE...
LOOKS LIKE I'M LUCKIER THAN I THOUGHT...
NGHHH!
THAT WAS FANTASTIC, ZERO!
YOU DID IT!
HA.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FINE!
I WAS WRONG!
I'LL ADMIT IT…

KYOUSUKE'S 2ND SHOT!
I NOW SEE...
THAT YOU'RE NOT JUST ALL BLUFFS!
YOU REALLY CAN,
WALK THE WALK,
LEGENDARY GAMBLER!

BUT...
YOU REALLY ARE,
BUT...!
WORTH YOUR REPUTA-TION...

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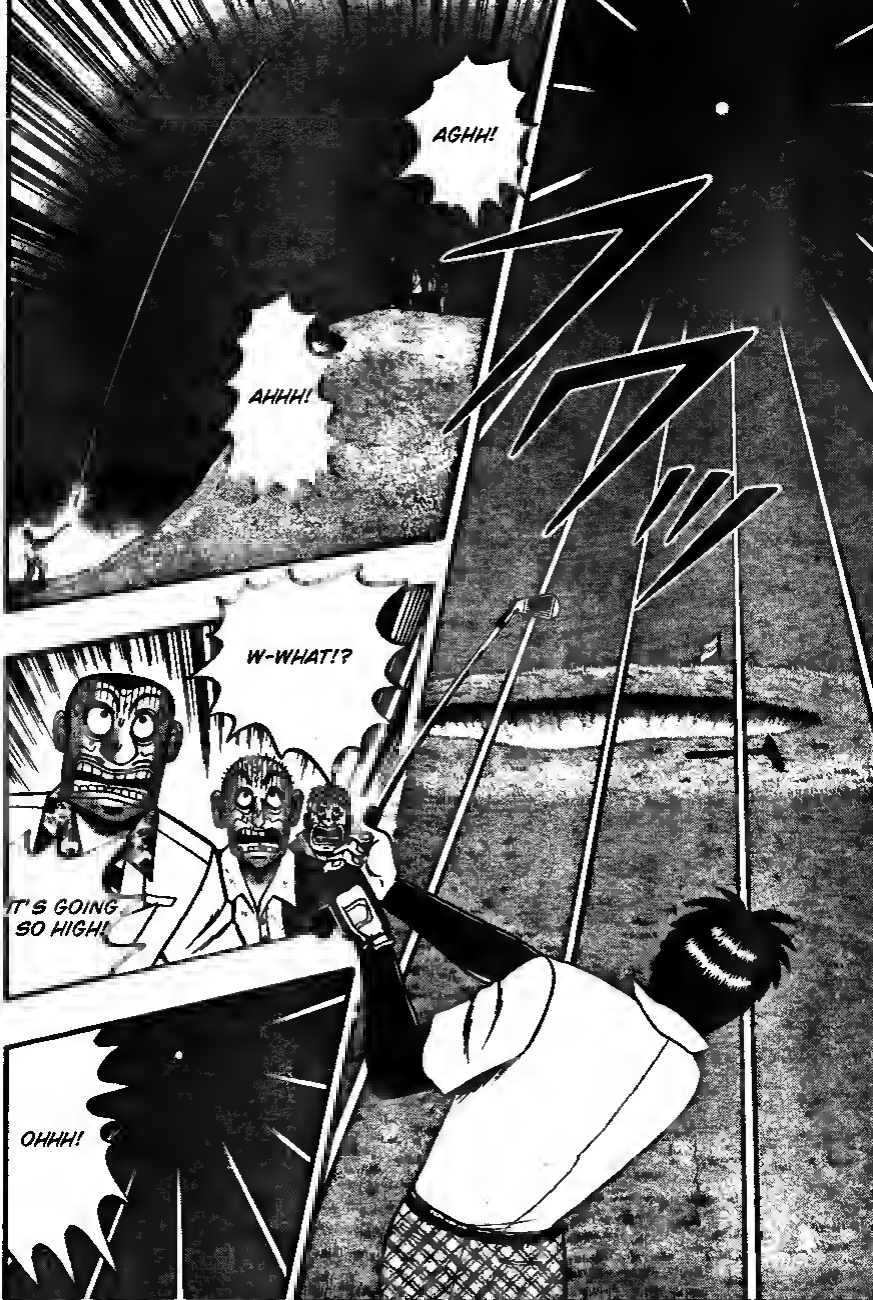
AGHH!
AHHH!
W-WHAT!?
IT'S GOING SO HIGH!
OHHH!

IT'S PERFECT!
HE DID IT, HE DID IT, HE DID IT!
THAT'S CRAZY!
A PERFECT SUPER LOB-SHOT!
HOW!?
HOW COULD HE PULL IT OFF WITH THAT SLIPPERY TERRAIN!?
HAHA!
COME OONNNN!

IT'S COMING, IT'S COMING, IT'S COMING...
IT'S HEADED RIGHT FOR THE HOLE!
THE PERFECT SHOT!
AHHHH!
COME ON...!
土壇場で撃ち直した一撃シュート！
これまでの努力は伊達じゃない！
絶頂を見る者は何を想う――。
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IT SHOULD GO RIGHT NEAR THE HOLE!
IF IT LANDS THERE...
THE BALL BOUNCES OR NOT...!
EVEN IF,
AHHH!
I CAN MAKE IT!

COME ON...!
WHA!?
!?

THAT BOUNCE...
WAIT, WHA?
SOMETHING SEEMED...
HUH?
A BIT OFF...

ZERO'S BALL
KYOUSUKE'S BALL
AHH!
IT CAN'T BE!
IT STILL...
BOUNCED RIGHT OVER THE GREEN!
THAT WAS A PERFECT LOB!
AND YET THE BALL STILL...
SON,
DAMN IT!
IT'S FINE

ONLY YOU COULD'VE COME BACK FROM AN IMPOSSIBLE SPOT LIKE THAT ALL THE WAY TO THE GREEN.
THAT WAS A SPLENDID LOB.
YOU'RE A GOLFING PRODIGY. DON'T FORGET THAT.

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DAD, WIPE THE BALL FOR ME PLEASE.
OF COURSE!
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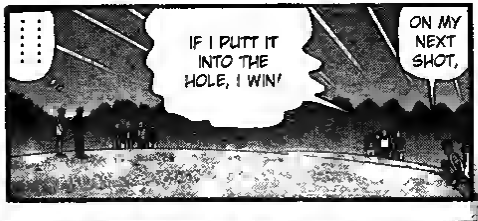
HEY GAMBLER!

JUDGING BY HOW RELAXED YOU SEEM,
I CAN'T HELP BUT FEEL THAT YOU'VE GOT THE WRONG IDEA.
THAT WAS MY 2ND SHOT JUST NOW!


ON MY NEXT SHOT,
IF I PUTT IT INTO THE HOLE, I WIN!
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IF YOU PUTT IT IN, OF COURSE.
NOT QUITE!

IT'LL STILL BE MY VICTORY EVEN IF I DON'T MAKE THE PUTT ON MY NEXT SHOT...!
KYOU-SUKE!
WHA?
A PLAYOFF ROUND IS NOT UNCOMMON!
IN GOLF,
I'M TALKING ABOUT THE CASE IN WHICH WE TIE!
IF SO...
A TIE!
HUH?

IT'S A RE-DO!
WE'LL FACE EACH OTHER OFF ON THIS HOLE AGAIN!
RIGHT FROM THE START AGAIN!
ABSO-LUTELY NOT!
THIS WAS A 1-GAME MATCH TO BEGIN WITH!

IF WE WERE TO LET YOU, THE GOLFING CHAMP, TRY AGAIN,
WE WOULDN'T STAND A CHANCE OF WINNING!
SO ABSOLUTELY NOT!
NO, NO, NO, NO, NO!
ANYTHING BUT THAT!
ZERO!
THEN LET ME ASK YOU!
IF WE WERE TO TIE ON THIS HOLE...

JUST HOW EXACTLY ARE YOU PLANNING TO SETTLE THINGS!?
WELL!?
I'M FINE WITH A PLAYOFF ROUND.
WHA!?
IF WE TIE ON THIS HOLE...
ZERO!
THEN WE'LL HAVE A RE-DO RIGHT FROM THE START!
ZERO!

SUEZAKI.
SO DON'T WORRY.
YOU'RE BEING WAY TOO SOFT ON HIM!
ZERO!
IT'S FINE.
THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN TIE IT!

I SAID YOUR PUTTS WON'T LAND ANYWHERE NEAR THE HOLE!
WHAT DID YOU... JUST SAY...?
WHA!?
YOU'D NEVER HAVE,
THUS,
NO MATCH WOULD'VE USED SUCH A GREEN.
WOULD YOU HAVE SEEN A FROZEN GREEN THAT WAS AS HARD AND SLIPPERY AS IT IS NOW.
PRACTICED ON A FROZEN GREEN EITHER!
YOU'RE TOO INEXPE-RIENCED!
ARE YOU...
WHA?
BUT IN NONE OF THOSE,
AND HAVE PARTICIPATED IN COUNT-LESS TOUR-NAMENTS.
YOU'VE RECEIVED GOLFING LESSONS EVER SINCE YOU WERE A BABY,

IT'S EXPECTED, OF COURSE.
THERE'D BE NO MEANING IN PRACTICING SUCH A THING...
IN FACT,
PRACTICING IT,
WOULD'VE BEEN HARMFUL!
IT WOULD TEACH YOUR BODY ALL THE WRONG WAYS TO PUTT PROPERLY ON A NORMAL GREEN!
IT'S NOT LIKELY,
YOU'D HAVE PRACTICED SOMETHING YOU WEREN'T SUPPOSED TO.
AND SO...
YOU'RE CHARTING UNKNOWN TERRITORY RIGHT NOW!

YOUR USUAL GOLFING INSTINCT WILL MISLEAD YOU,
AND,
IT'LL BE IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT YOUR PUTTS!

NGH!
SO THERE'S NO WAY YOU CAN MAKE IT!
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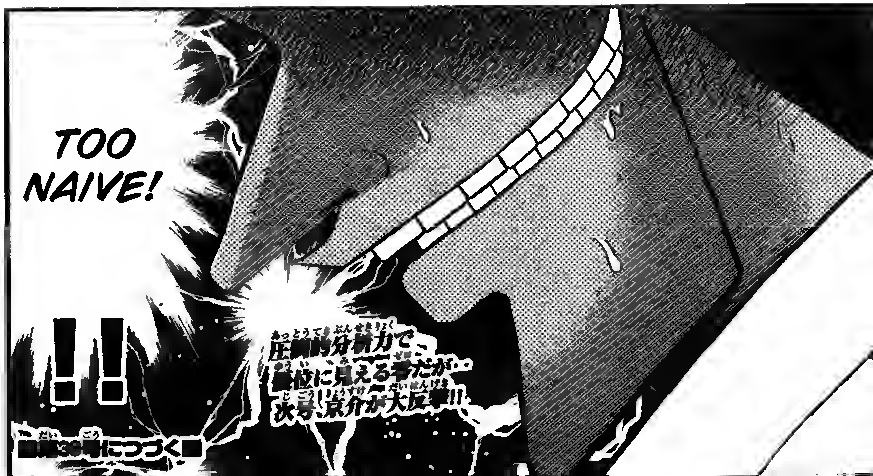
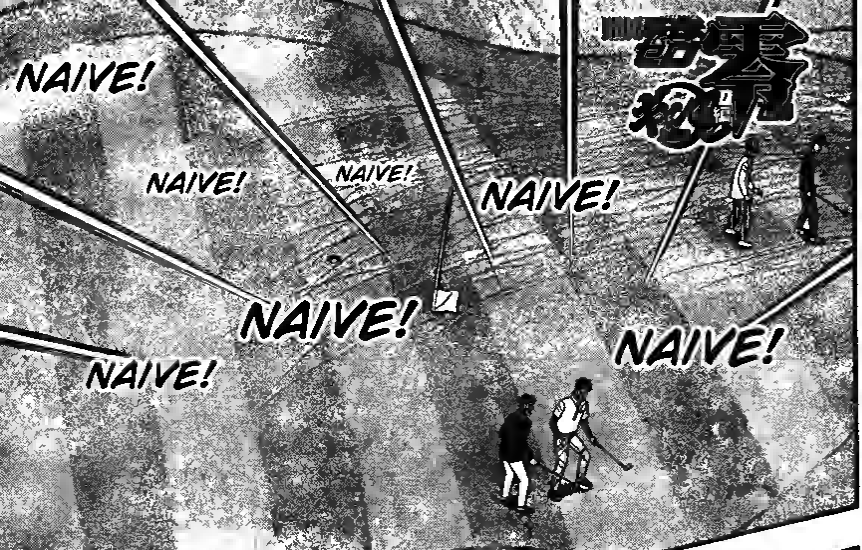
THEY'RE SIMPLY TOO NAIVE!

AS EXPECTED, AMATEURS ARE AMATEURS!

WHAT AN IDIOT!





昴 零 ZERO

CHAPTER 6 INFORMATION

福本伸行

学生ゴルフチャンピオンとゴルフ界次中のギャンブラー、零！厳しい折力で挽回不利を覆し続けてきた零は、最の「プレイオフ」提案を受け入れる。しかし敵も武器の準備があるようで…。零の言うように本当に最のバットは寄らないのか!?勝負の行方は!?

前号まで

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YOU FOLKS HEARD WHAT HE SAID, RIGHT!?
JUST TO BE CLEAR...
ALRIGHT!
IN OTHER WORDS, IT'S A DO-OVER RIGHT FROM THE BEGINNING!
GOT IT!?
THEN WE SETTLE THINGS WITH A PLAYOFF ROUND!
IF WE TIE ON THIS HOLE,
A PLAYOFF!

Y-YES!
WELL, SENIORS!?
IT'S PERFECTLY FINE!
IT...
...
I-IS THIS REALLY GONNA BE ALRIGHT FOR US!? WELL!?
AND EVEN SUEZAKI LOOKS--
LOOK HOW CONFI-DENT ZERO IS!
LOOK!

Y-YOU SURE 'BOUT THIS!?
UM...
YEAH!
THIS IS... JUST SUEZAKI ACTING LIKE WE'RE COMPLETELY SCREWED!
YOU KNOW, TO LULL THE ENEMY IN TO A FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY!
HEH HEH HEH!
IDIOTS!
FALSE SENSE OF SECURITY, MY ASS!

IF I CAN JUST TAKE THIS TO A PLAYOFF ROUND...
!!
THERE'S NO WAY THERE'LL BE A REPEAT OF ROUND 1!
THAT'S BECA-USE,
IS AS GOOD AS WON FOR ME!
THIS GAMBLE,
WELL ENOUGH!
I'VE LEARNED MY LESSON,

FIRST OFF,
I'LL CHANGE WHERE TO AIM FOR ON MY 1ST SHOT!
LANDING THE BALL JUST BEFORE THE GREEN MADE IT BOUNCE ALL THE WAY BELOW THE HILL,
SO NEXT TIME,
I'LL BE SURE TO LAND IT ABOUT 10 YARDS BEFORE THERE!
IF I CAN LAND IT RIGHT THERE,
ON THE WIDE OPEN SPACE,
IT SHOULD STOP WITHIN THE FAIRWAY!

AND FOR MY 2ND SHOT,
I'LL PROPERLY TAKE THE FROZEN FAIRWAY INTO ACCOUNT,
AND BOUNCE IT RIGHT TO THE GREEN!
ONCE THERE,
THE COUNTLESS PUTTING TRACKS LEFT BY ZERO,
WILL TELL ME EXACTLY WHERE TO PUTT!

I CAN MAKE PAR,
WITH 3 SHOTS!
ON THE OTHER HAND,
BECAUSE HE'LL HAVE TO TAKE ONE PENALTY STROKE FROM THE CLIFF,
HE'LL DO HIS LONG-DISTANCE PUTT ON HIS 3RD SHOT! AND REALISTICALLY SPEAKING, IT WON'T BE UNTIL AT LEAST HIS 4TH SHOT WHEN HE CAN PUT THE BALL IN!
WHICH MEANS ...

I'LL WIN!
NO MATTER WHAT!
IT'S MY VICTORY!!
2 PUTTS...

A PLAYOFF ROUND!
I JUST HAVE TO PUT THE BALL IN WITHIN THE NEXT 2 PUTTS TO REACH...
WHICH WILL END IN MY VICTORY NO MATTER WHAT!
YOU'RE CHARTING ON UNKNOWN TERRITORY!
THERE'S NO WAY YOU'LL MAKE IT!
YOU'RE TOO INEXPERI-ENCED!
THERE'S NO WAY I'D BE EXPERI-ENCED!
IT'S JUST AS YOU SAID!
HA HA HA!

IT'S NOT AS IF MY DAD WAS SO POOR,
THAT WE COULD GOLF ONLY ONCE A MONTH,
BY BOOKING HORREN-DOUSLY EARLY TEE TIMES!

THERE'S NO WAY I WOULD EVER HAVE PUTTED,
ON A FROZEN GREEN BEFORE!
NOT A CHANCE!
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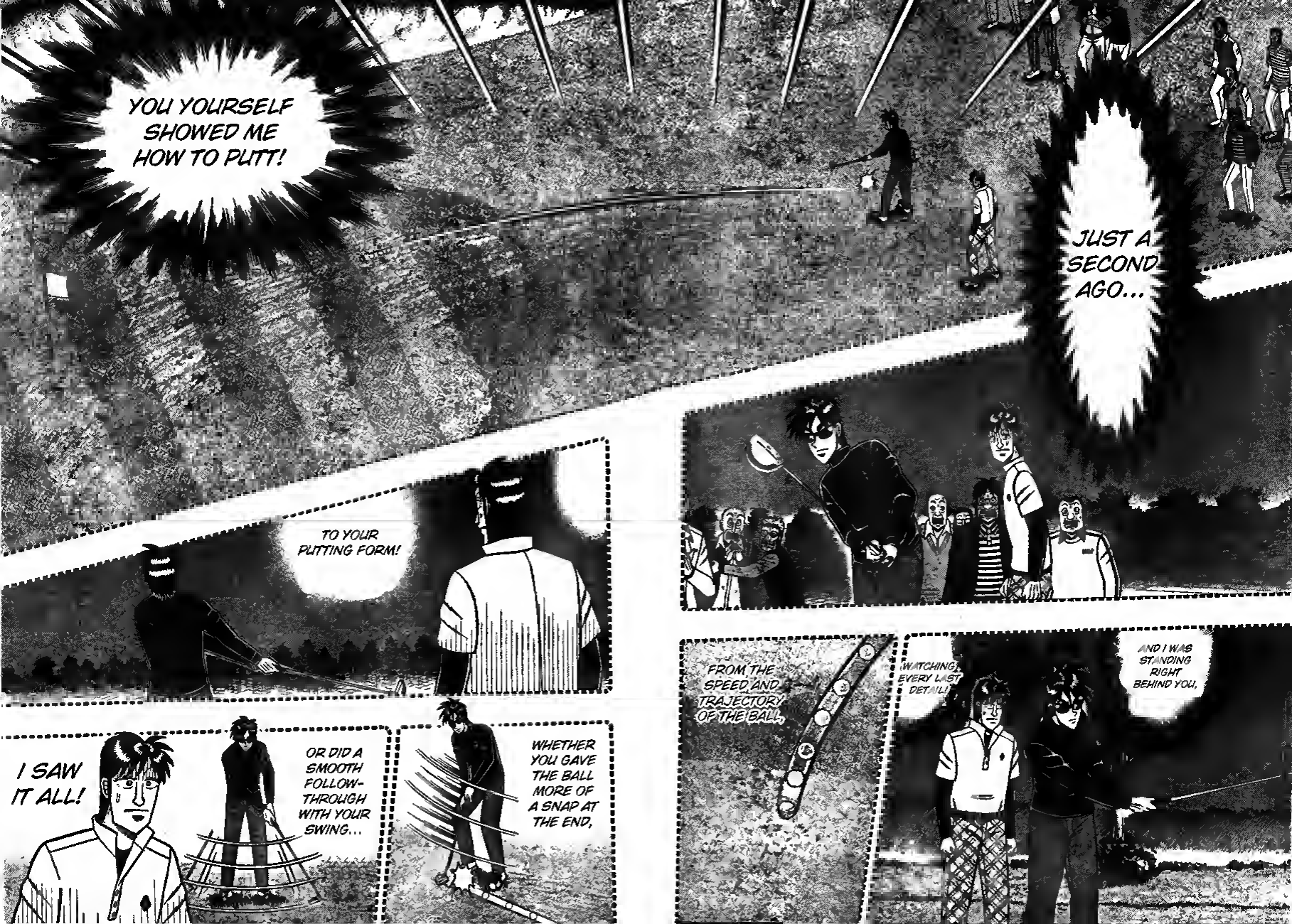
AND SO
I'D BE UNABLE TO PREDICT WHICH ANGLE TO PUTT NOR HOW MUCH POWER TO USE!
BUT...!
BUT!

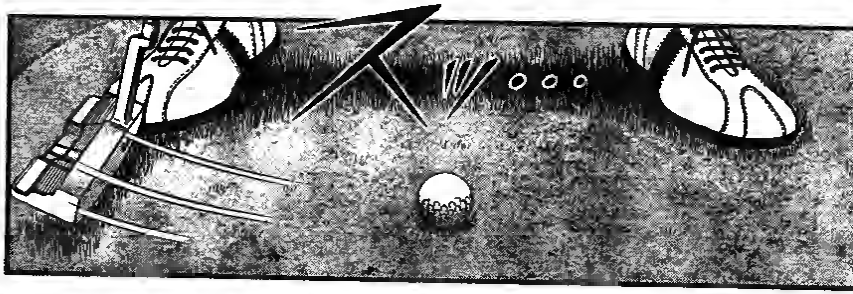
I'M FAR FROM CHARTING ON A COMPLETELY UNKNOWN TERRITORY!
BUT THAT'S NOT THE CASE AT ALL!
YOU'D HAVE A POINT IF YOU TOLD ME TO JUST PUTT WITHOUT GIVING ME ANYTHING TO WORK WITH...
YOU COCKY SON OF A BITCH!

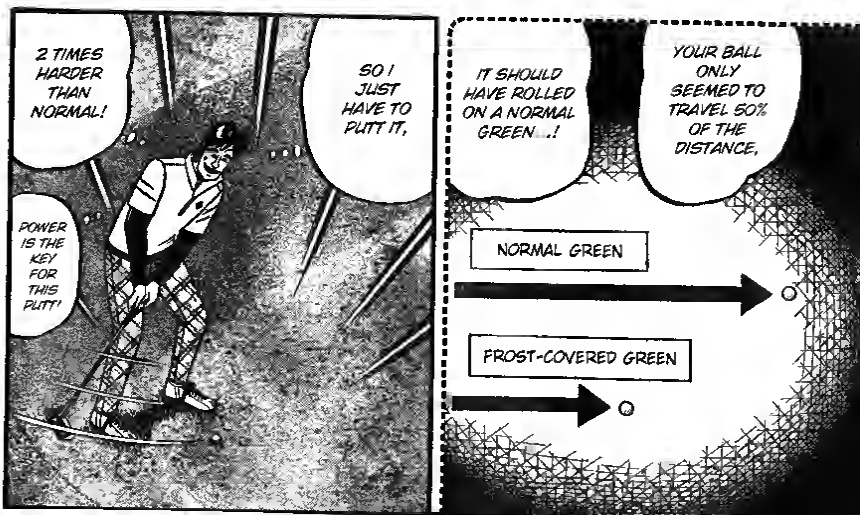

YOU YOURSELF SHOWED ME HOW TO PUTT!
JUST A SECOND AGO...
TO YOUR PUTTING FORM!
I SAW IT ALL!
OR DID A SMOOTH FOLLOW-THROUGH WITH YOUR SWING...
WHETHER YOU GAVE THE BALL MORE OF A SNAP AT THE END,
FROM THE SPEED AND TRAJECTORY OF THE BALL,
WATCHING EVERY LAST DETAIL!
AND I WAS STANDING RIGHT BEHIND YOU.

SO I KNOW!
EVEN WITHOUT PUTTING MYSELF,
I KNOW!
I ALREADY HAVE A GOOD IDEA!
MY GOLFING INSTINCTS HAVEN'T BEEN MADE USELESS!

DURING MY LAST SHOT,
I WAS UNSURE JUST HOW FAR THE BALL WOULD BOUNCE OFF ON THE GREEN COVERED WITH FROST...
BUT IT'S A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT STORY,
FOR A PUTT!
THE BALL IS LESS LIKELY TO GO FARTHER THAN MY TARGET!
THE FARTHER THE BALL ROLLS,
THE MORE THE FROST WILL BUILD UP ON ITS SURFACE,
WHICH WILL SLOW DOWN THE BALL!

I CAN ALREADY MAKE A GOOD ESTIMATE OF HOW MUCH POWER TO USE!
YOUR PUTT JUST NOW,
JUST BY WATCHING,




2 TIMES HARDER THAN NORMAL!
SO I JUST HAVE TO PUTT IT,
POWER IS THE KEY FOR THIS PUTT!
IT SHOULD HAVE ROLLED ON A NORMAL GREEN...!
YOUR BALL ONLY SEEMED TO TRAVEL 50% OF THE DISTANCE,
NORMAL GREEN
FROST-COVERED GREEN

2 TIMES AS STRONG!
KYOUSUKE'S 3RD SHOT
MAYBE SLIGHTLY TOO STRONG...
PERFECT!

AHHHH!
THIS SHOULD BE GOOD ENOUGH!
シュル!
BUT REGARDLESS, IT SHOULD AT LEAST STOP CLOSE TO THE HOLE!
PLEASE DON'T GO NEAR THE HOLE!
PLEASE!
ZERO!
ご老人、魂の叫び!
この1打に勝負が懸かる!!
■漫40号につづく■

AHHH!
AHHH!
ZERO!
ZERO!
ZERO!
GAHHH!

AS IF MY PUTT WOULD STOP SO SHORT!
HA!
KEEP GOING!
YES!
COME ON!
HEH
GOOO!
DON'T GO ANY FARTHER!
NO PLEASE!
STOOP!

W-W-WAIT!
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THE HELL IS GOING ON!?
I KNOW I SWUNG MUCH HARDER THAN THIS!
I...
I...
I'M SURE ...
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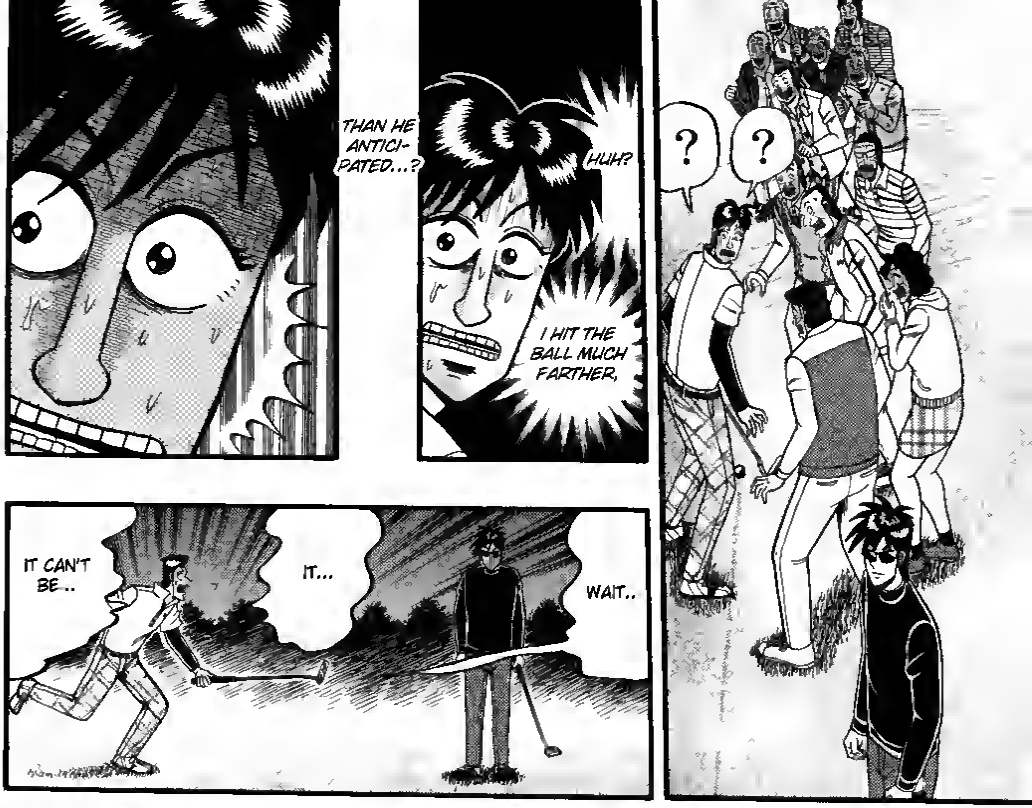
ﾉﾀ..

ﾚﾚﾚ...
WHA!?

I SWUNG WAY HARDER THAN THIS!
WHA...
どどおーーーっ!!
YES!
YES!
OHHH!
わっ...
IT DIDN'T REACH THE HOLE!
IT DIDN'T REACH IT!
IT STOPPED SHORT!

IT STOPPED SHORT!
IT STOPPED 3 METERS SHORT!
DAMN IT!
HAHA!
YES!
WHY!?

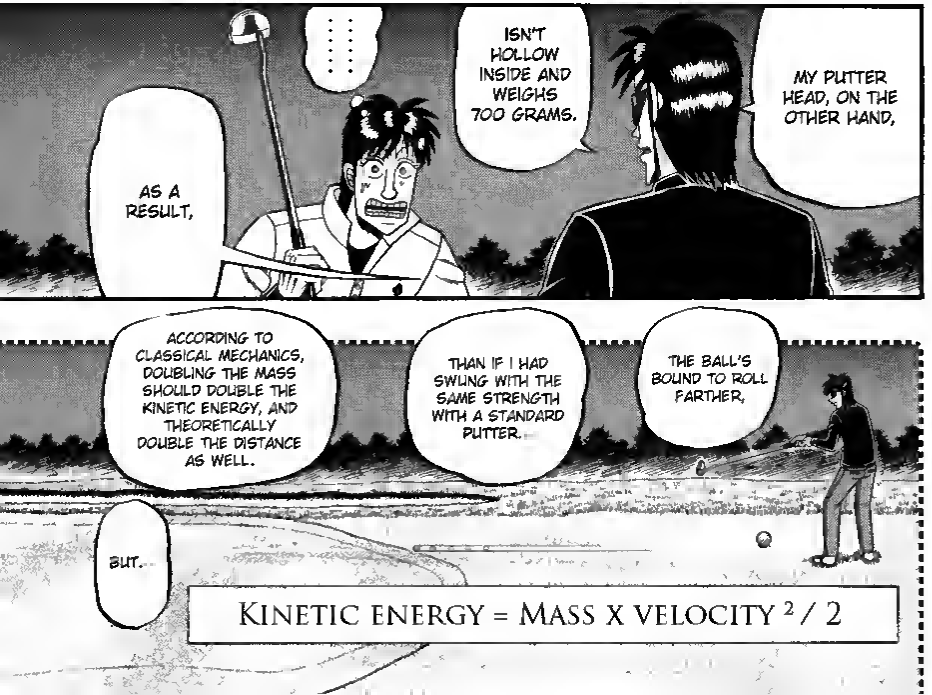
THIS CAN'T BE...
IT... I... BUT... WHA...
I'M SURE I HIT IT WITH MORE FORCE...
YET IT STOPPED SHORT!?
IMPRE-SSIVE.
WHAT?
YOU HIT THE BALL,
MUCH, MUCH FARTHER,
THAT I HAD ANTICI-PATED...

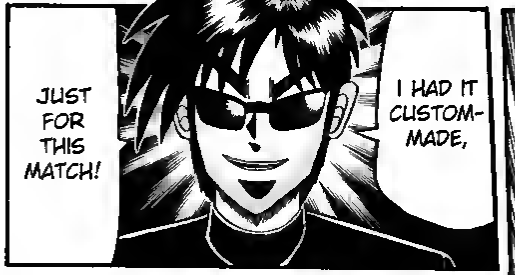

THAN HE ANTICI-PATED...?
HUH?
I HIT THE BALL MUCH FARTHER,
?
?
IT CAN'T BE..
IT...
WAIT..

DID YOU ACTUALLY...!?
DID YOU-
AH!

HEY, YOU CAN'T TAKE THAT!
ZERO!
THIS GAMBLING PIECE OF SHIT...
GOT US AGAIN...!
W-WHAT IS IT, KYOUSUKE!?
DAD...
CRAP!

ABNORMALLY HEAVY!
IS...
THE HEAD OF THIS PUTTER,


AS A RESULT,
ISN'T HOLLOW INSIDE AND WEIGHS 700 GRAMS.
MY PUTTER HEAD, ON THE OTHER HAND,
ACCORDING TO CLASSICAL MECHANICS, DOUBLING THE MASS SHOULD DOUBLE THE KINETIC ENERGY, AND THEORETICALLY DOUBLE THE DISTANCE AS WELL.
THAN IF I HAD SWUNG WITH THE SAME STRENGTH WITH A STANDARD PUTTER.
THE BALL'S BOUND TO ROLL FARTHER,
BUT...
KINETIC ENERGY = MASS X VELOCITY ² / 2


JUST FOR THIS MATCH!
I HAD IT CUSTOM-MADE,

ARE HOLLOW INSIDE,
NORMAL PUTTER HEADS,
AND THEY TYPICALLY WEIGH AROUND 350 GRAMS.
UGH!

WHAT THE HELL IS THIS!?
LIKE IT?

FOR A HUMAN.
IS CLEARLY IMPO-SSIBLE,
MIMICKING THE SWING OF A PENDULUM PERFECTLY,
THINGS DON'T WORK OUT SO CONVENIENTLY IN REAL LIFE.
ALL THE FROST ON THE GRASS WILL AFFECT THE OUTCOME AS WELL.
NOT ONLY THAT,
AND THAT'S ALL I NEEDED FOR THIS MATCH...!
NEVERTHELESS, MY PUTT SHOULD ROLL FAIRLY FAR,
SO IT'S UNLIKELY THE BALL WOULD ACTUALLY TRAVEL TWICE AS FAR.
AT THE VERY LEAST,
YOU WERE TO ANALYZE EVERYTHING ABOUT MY PUTT,
EVEN IF,

YOUR PUTT WOULD STILL COME SHORT OF THE HOLE,
EVEN IF BY JUST THE TINIEST BIT!
ISN'T THAT RIGHT?
NGHH...

WHY YOU...
MAY I HAVE THAT BACK NOW?
HERE YOU GO
.....

SHIT!
SHIT!
SHIT!
SHIT!
SHIT!
SHIT!

ZERO!
YOU SURE IT'S OKAY TO TELL HIM ALL THAT?
OH PLEASE
EVEN IF I HADN'T TOLD HIM,
WITH KYOUSUKE'S EXPERIENCE, HE'D HAVE FIGURED IT ALL OUT HIMSELF SOON ENOUGH...!
YOU GAMBLING PIECE OF S..

THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT I HATE ABOUT YOU!

I AM SICK AND TIRED OF YOUR STUPID LITTLE TRICKS!
LET ME SAY THIS TO YOU!

AND SEE HOW WELL THEY'LL DANCE ON YOUR PALM!
THE WAY YOU TRY TO BELITTLE OTHERS,

THE WAY YOU PLAN OUT EVERY LITTLE THING,
THAT ARROGANT SMUG,

BECAUSE RIGHT NOW...
DONE! FINITE! OVER!
BUT THAT'S THE LAST OF IT!

SHUT UP!
THAT'S-
KYOU-SLIKE,
I HATE IT!

I'M ONLY 3 FREAKIN' METERS AWAY FROM THE HOLE!
AND I'LL DEFINITELY PUTT IT IN!

AND YOU'LL LOSE!
WHERE I'LL WIN,
AND THEN WE'LL GO TO A PLAYOFF ROUND,
YOU CAN BET YOUR SORRY LITTLE ASS ON IT!

DESPITE ALL YOUR PETTY TRICKS,
AT THE VERY END,
YOU'LL LOSE!
THAT'S THE INEVITABLE TRUTH!
WITH MY PUTT JUST NOW,
I KNOW FOR SURE HOW EXACTLY TO PUTT! IT ALL COMES DOWN TO SKILL NOW!
SORRY TO SAY, BUT IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'VE RUN OUT OF MAGIC TR-
NOT QUITE,
3 METERS IS NOTHING FOR A GOLFER LIKE ME!
I'LL END IT WITH MY NEXT PUTT!
I'M AFRAID.

I CAN STILL CAST A MAGIC SPELL TO PREVENT THE BALL FROM GOING IN!
I HAVEN'T RUN OUT QUITE YET...
WHAT?

KYOU-SUKE,
WHA?

WOULD YOU MIND LETTING ME CAST THAT SPELL ON YOU...?
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それは、一体!?
賭けませんか?
それがギャンブラーという大馬鹿者や!
二言はあらへん!
の勝負の行方は…!?
が始まる!!!!!
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